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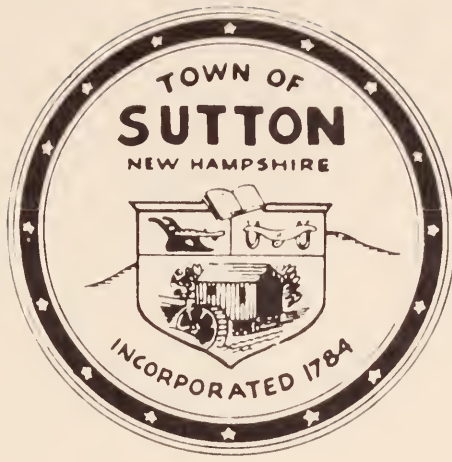
OF THE TOWN OF

Sutton, N.H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1992



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ANNUAL REPORT

of Town Officers and Committees

SUTTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

and

VITAL STATISTICS

1992 REPORT OF THE TOWN OF SUTTON, N.H.

*This Town Report is dedicated with love, respect,
and appreciation to Robert Stannard Bristol for
his many years of constant caring and unfailing
service to the townspeople of Sutton.*



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TOWN OFFICERS

*Moderator**

Robert E. Bowers, Jr.

Term Expires 1993

*Selectmen**

Richard L. King

Term Expires 1993

Thaddeus C. Johnson

Term Expires 1994

Stanley L. LeBrun

Term Expires 1995

*Treasurer**

Robert S. Bristol

Term Expires 1993

Deputy Treasurer

William F. Kinnally

Term Expires 1993

*Town Clerk**

Carol P. Curless

Term Expires 1993

Deputy Town Clerk

Courtney E. Haase

Term Expires 1993

*Tax Collector**

Carol P. Curless

Term Expires 1993

Deputy Tax Collector

Courtney E. Haase

Term Expires 1993

Highway Agent

George H. Hosmer, Jr.

Resigned 1992

Robert W. Bennett

Term Expires 1993

*Trustees of Trust Funds**

Marjorie R. Knight

Term Expires 1993

John F. Biewener

Term Expires 1994

William Uhl

Term Expires 1995

*Budget Committee**

George G. Wells

Term Expires 1993

Steven I. Lord

Term Expires 1993

Alan P. Harris

Term Expires 1994

Walter Baker

Term Expires 1994

Charles G. Ash, III

Term Expires 1995

William I. Curless

Term Expires 1995

Richard L. King (Ex-Officio)

Term Expires 1993

Planning Board

Anita N. Blakeman	Term Expires 1993
Naia C. Florence (Applications Secretary)	Term Expires 1993
Margaret Forbes	Term Expires 1993
Richard L. King (Ex-Officio)	Term Expires 1993
Russell E. Breck, Jr.	Term Expires 1994
Daniel Sundquist (Chairman)	Term Expires 1994
Susan R. Uhl	Term Expires 1994
Jean C. Vivian	Term Expires 1995
Nancy Bronder (Alternate)	
Bruce R. Denis (Alternate)	

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Stephen Vallandigham	Term Expires 1993
Andrew R. Supplee (Chairman)	Term Expires 1994
Thaddeus C. Johnson (Ex-Officio)	Term Expires 1994
James Bridges (Alternate)	Term Expires 1995
Martha B. Denz	Term Expires 1995
William Hallahan	Term Expires 1995
C. Luke Heffernan (Alternate)	Term Expires 1995
Marjorie R. Knight	Resigned 1992
Edward Mills (Alternate)	Term Expires 1995

*Cemetery Commission**

Darrell Palmer	Term Expires 1993
Carroll L. Thompson	Term Expires 1994
Herman L. Foster	Term Expires 1995

*Supervisors of the Checklist**

Jo Ann Meaney	Term Expires 1994
Dorothy Wright	Term Expires 1996
Marilyn Thompson	Term Expires 1998

*Overseer of Public Welfare**

Courtney E. Haase	Term Expires 1993
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Librarian

Jeanette R. Couch	Term Expires 1993
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*Trustees, Sutton Free Library**

Elizabeth Bennett	Term Expires 1993
Henry Nichols	Term Expires 1993
Elizabeth B. Anderson	Term Expires 1994

Jill Chadwick	Term Expires 1994
Marsha Harrison	Term Expires 1995
Niki Tautkus	Term Expires 1995

Trustees, Old Store Museum

Elizabeth R. Wells	Term Expires 1993
Dorothy Wright	Term Expires 1993
Ann Lord	Term Expires 1994
Margaret Forand	Term Expires 1994
Donald C. Davis, Jr.	Term Expires 1995
Robert A. O'Neil	Term Expires 1995

Conservation Commission

Eugene J. Aubert (Chairman)	Term Expires 1993
David Anderson	Term Expires 1993
Kathy Kirk Brown	Term Expires 1994
Neil Chadwick	Term Expires 1994
George G. Wells	Term Expires 1995
Charles F. Whittemore	Term Expires 1995
Stanley L. LeBrun (Ex-Officio)	

Police Department

John R. Lambert, Chief of Police	Term Expires 1993
Thomas W. Bates	Term Expires 1993
Ginger M. Cloutier	Term Expires 1993
Robert D. Nelson	Term Expires 1993
John P. Simonds	Resigned 1992

Building Inspector

Wayne Grover	Term Expires 1993
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Health Officer

(Appointed by Selectmen and State Board of Health)

Barbara J. MacDonald	Term Expires 1995
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Solid Waste Committee

Charles P. Forsberg	Term Expired 1992
Virginia D. Johnson	Term Expired 1992
George G. Wells	Term Expired 1992
Reva Bailey	Term Expires 1993
Edward J. Butler	Term Expires 1993
Norman Forand	Term Expires 1993
Robert L. Nelson	Term Expires 1993

Road Committee

Peter Blakeman	Term Expires 1993
Naia C. Florence	Term Expires 1993
C. Luke Heffernan	Term Expires 1993
Alexander McKinnon	Term Expires 1993
Douglas H. Sweet	Term Expires 1993
Stanley L. LeBrun (Ex-Officio)	Term Expires 1993

Emergency Management Director

Alexander McKinnon	Term Expires 1993
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ADA Building Accessibility Study Committee

Richard Call	Term Expires 1993
Deirdre Currier	Term Expires 1993
Russell Currier	Term Expires 1993
Martha B. Denz	Term Expires 1993
Wayne Grover	Term Expires 1993
Joan Shaughnessey	Resigned 1992
William Uhl	Term Expires 1993

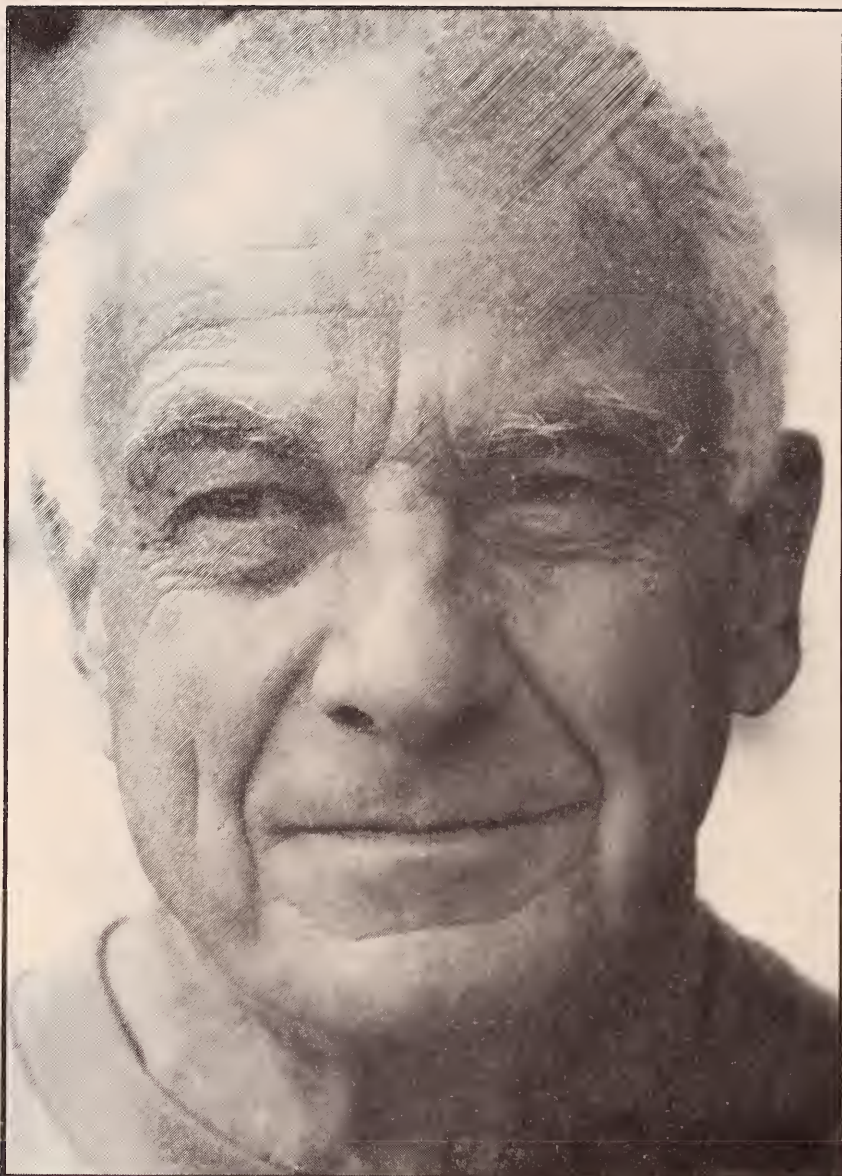
Supervisor-Highway Notification Program

Charles F. Whittemore	Term Expires 1993
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HEIDI CARLSON, SUTTON'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



ROBERT STANNARD BRISTOL
(WITH FAINT SMILE, FARM DAY 1988)

ROBERT STANNARD BRISTOL

Selectman 1950-1991

Robert Stannard Bristol is a paradox [one whose character or behavior is seemingly contradictory]. He's congenial and contrary; conscientious and controversial; self-confident and unassuming; quietly generous and openly frugal. He loves classical music, especially the sounds of the pipe organ and chorales, yet he thoroughly enjoys country music and square dancing. One minute he will quote Shakespeare and then regale you with some rowdy tale. He will spend hours researching history yet jump at the chance to go to a wrestling match. He knows how to apply the old-fashioned social graces, but he can also shiver a few timbers with a frustrated outburst of unprintable description.

A definitive workaholic, Bob has little patience with vacations and holidays. He loves chocolate, ice cream and banana splits. He employs his phenomenal memory (ask him anything about local history) by knowing and using the middle names of most of the people he knows. Contrary to some opinion, he has **not** been wearing the same sweater since 1976. He claims he has two of the same kind. Paradox or not, one thing folks can agree on: Robert Stannard Bristol loves his town of Sutton.

The fact that Robert Bristol was born in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, was probably an error of fate as far as Bob is concerned, since he is as close to being a native son of New Hampshire as anyone native-born. He has proved himself to be as caring and knowledgeable about Sutton, its surroundings, its history and its people as any native-born resident. Whether or not you always agree with him, you must acknowledge the dedication, devotion and endless hours of work that he has given the town and its people over the last half century. The town has been his family and the town hall has been a second home. All hours of the day or night and on any day of the week, including holidays, his car would be parked outside the town hall.

Bob's first visits to New Hampshire were as a child when his parents would spend summers at a cottage at Twin Lake Villa. As he has said, this is when he "developed a love of country living which was the driving influence of my life." His college years in Vermont at Middlebury College (he graduated in 1943) continued to reinforce this feeling for the rural life of the countryside.

The most important event of his life, as Bob will tell you, was his family's acquisition in 1941 of the Harvey Homestead, which was built about 1784. Over the years, with painstaking and accurate care to historical detail, Bob (with his mother, Maude Munson Bristol) has restored that handsome architectural masterpiece to its original condition atop the hill known as Muster Field Farm.

Bob's first jobs out of Middlebury College were teaching at local schools in Andover while he lived at the farm in North Sutton. His teaching career was a short sojourn; he decided that teachers are born, not made. So with that he turned to farming. For the next 25 years he was in the farming, dairy

and poultry business. At one point there were 30 cows, 1,000 hens, and gardens producing vegetables and fruit. At the point where endless regulations were taking the pleasure out of his commercial enterprises, he sold his retail milk routes. He still milks his one cow every day as calf “Beulah” and a steer or two peer around the corner.

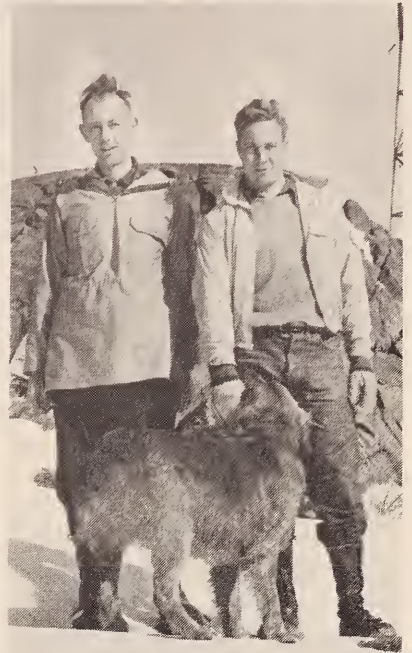
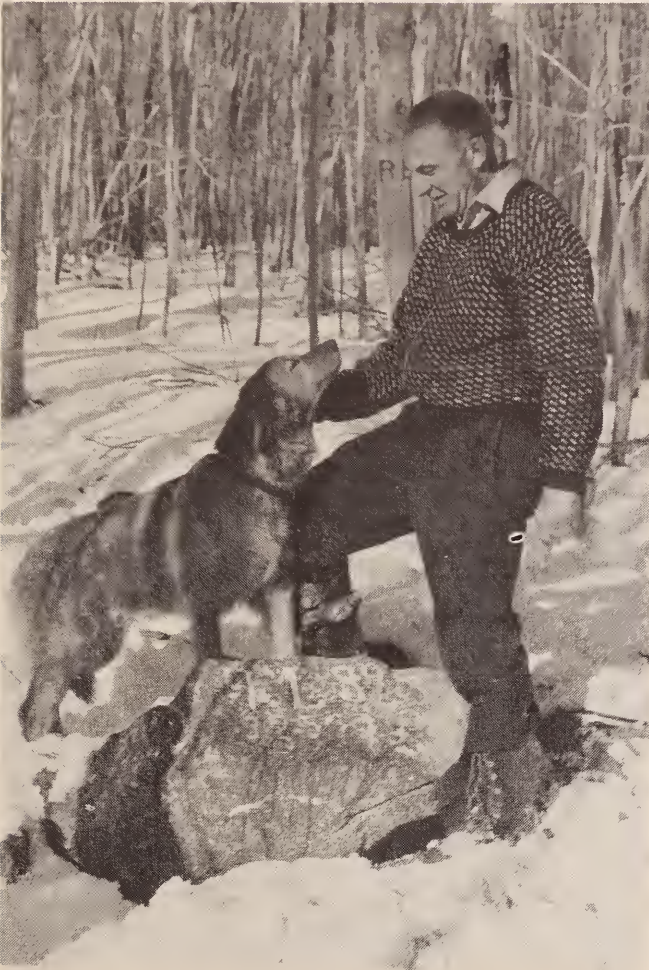
Bob’s fondness for history, old mills and land use dovetailed nicely with reviewing deeds and locating property lines. This precipitated yet another career. In 1967 Bob formed a surveying business, using a small cottage on his property for an office. Eventually Doug Sweet became his partner and although Bob no longer participates on a regular basis, the company still holds the name of Bristol, Sweet & Associates, Inc. During his more active surveying years, Bob held offices in the N.H. Land Surveyor’s Association, including that of president. You may notice the license plate which reads “LLS 41” on his racy red car—assuming you can see it as it speeds by. (LLS 41 stands for “Licensed Land Surveyor” #41.)

Bob’s accomplishments in the community are more difficult to document since he has participated in just about everything. His 41 years on the Board of Selectmen merit obvious recognition. During his years as Selectman, Sutton’s zoning ordinance, building code, and subdivision ordinance were enacted. In 1965, before the state required them, Sutton had a tax map prepared. Bob spent much time organizing the manner in which the town operated. Sutton was one of the first towns to microfilm the record of real estate transfers. He has been Town Auditor, Town Moderator, a member of the Planning Board, Zoning Board, Conservation Commission, and the Road Committee, a trustee of the Sutton Free Library, School Treasurer and School Moderator. More recently Bob served as Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen. For 50 years he was a member of the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department, serving almost 30 years as secretary, as well as Deputy Fire Warden for many years. Not surprisingly, he continues his service to the town today as Town Treasurer and as a member of the Cornerstones Committee.

There are many situations that influenced Sutton in the years that Bob was a selectman. One of the most visible was the construction of Interstate 89. Serious negotiations were conducted by our Selectmen. Among other things, local access was gained via Exits 10 and 11. November 1967 saw the dedication of I-89 (at Exit 10) with the usual dignitaries, including Governor King, who undoubtedly did a double-take when Selectman Bristol pronounced from the podium in his usual caustic wit, “Never have so many done so much for so few.”

When Sutton observed its Bicentennial in 1984, Bob was one of the prime movers to ensure proper attention. It was a year-long celebration that involved all members of the community in monthly events of historic interest. The 1984 Town Report is an outstanding reflection of Sutton’s 200th anniversary.

One of the best parts of the Selectman’s job as far as Bob is concerned was the perambulation of the town’s borders. This is a traditional procedure that takes place every seven years, although walking the 7 miles × 5 miles parallelogram-shaped town requires more than one day and more than one



**Clockwise from upper left:
Dr. Delos Bristol and son,
young Bob and friend, with
Larry Whitney and friend
atop Mt. Kearsarge, and
perambulating town bound-
aries in 1976 with friend.**

season overall. It is best done in the fall and early winter so that markers are, it is hoped, more visible. It is not for the faint of heart or limb.

Any account of Bob Bristol's life would be remiss if it did not mention his love of animals, especially the ones that accompany him everywhere he goes. There has been a parade of pets sharing his home over the years. It was not unusual at the town hall to have to negotiate by or over a dog or two curled up around the table. The dogs are always with Bob, even trotting along on the town perambulation.

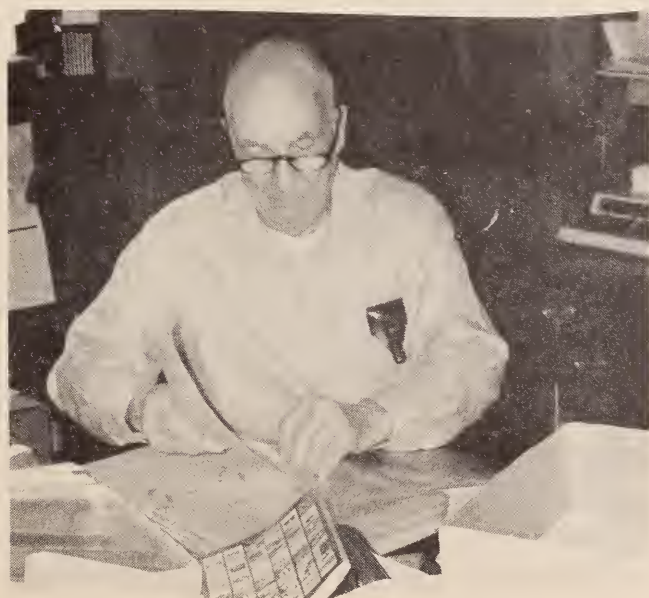
There is a non-town side to Bob, too. He has always enjoyed and been proud of his Grange work. He joined the Blackwater Grange (1944), then joined Sutton Grange where he held position of Master and Secretary. He now is a member of Sunapee Lake Grange. One of his favorite jobs was that of deputy of the district, which meant going around to the different lodges and giving instructions and inspecting the Granges. Two things he liked best about the Grange: the ritual and the refreshments, since Grange never met but what there was food.

Bob tells the story of how very early on at the Grange, when he was not yet too familiar with old country customs, he selected a healthy looking sandwich from a plate and took a hearty bite out of it. Not particularly enjoying the taste, he carefully and discreetly pried open the bread to determine the contents. It was a salt pork sandwich. . . . At that discovery and trying not to draw attention to himself, he sidled up to the wood stove and carefully dropped in into the fire. . . .

One of his other outside activities has been as Justice of the Peace. In the 28 years that Bob has performed those duties, he has joined more than 50 couples in wedlock. He recalls performing the ceremony for one young couple at his home using an employee and his wife as witnesses. The newlyweds then departed in their somewhat dilapidated vehicle for a honeymoon in Massachusetts. It wasn't long before the young lovers were back at Bob's door—somewhat vexed. It seems that upon being asked by a desk clerk for their proof of marriage, the discovery was made that Bob had entered the names of the witnesses where the names of the bride and groom should have been. . . .

Bob has a great interest in architecture, which resulted in his deep appreciation for the structure of the 1795 North Meeting House. Through the years he has worked hard at maintaining its historic integrity and beauty. In addition, he has served the First Free Will Baptist Church (North Meeting House) in many capacities, including that of Treasurer and Deacon. For years he adorned the church weekly with many beautifully arranged flowers from his own garden. His influence continues to be felt in many ways.

With his reduced town workload, Bob is devoting his energies to historical pursuits. He has spent several years accumulating and compiling detailed information and photos on the Harvey Homestead. As a result, in September 1992, the homestead was accepted as a National Preservation for Historic Places, thus ensuring that the years of caring restoration will remain. This



Bob continues to serve the town as treasurer and co-chair of the Cornerstones Committee, and shows he can learn a new trick and still retain the old—he has a computer and still milks a cow.

major accomplishment brings Bob pleasure that the work he has put into the homestead will remain intact for others to enjoy. The detailed history—text and photographs—of the Harvey Homestead is preserved in the archives of the New Hampshire Historical Society as well as the State Archives. Pillsbury Memorial Hall, too, has been nominated to the National Preservation for Historic Places under the encouragement of Bob, who also was responsible for the preservation of the portraits and other historical artifacts and documents in the town hall.

Bob's interest in the history of Sutton and New Hampshire is no secret. In 1990, he was presented with the Inherit New Hampshire Preservation Award "for exemplary community service to the town of Sutton, and in recognition of his life-long efforts to preserve and share the traditions, activities, and buildings of rural New Hampshire." This award, among other things, recognized Bob's work in founding the Harvey Homestead-Muster Field Farm Museum, Inc. (His foresight and effort in establishing the Museum and Farm Days is well known and too lengthy for this account.)

It was Bob who initiated and continues to work on the Community Cornerstones project in Sutton, one of the first in the state organized under Governor Gregg's *Commission on New Hampshire in the 21st Century*. The 1990 and 1991 Town Reports contain photographs of the 21 sites in town identified for preservation as Sutton Cornerstones.

Hanging in the Round Room at the town hall are seemingly endless frames of certificates marking top awards in town report competitions in New Hampshire as well as all of New England. These awards were based on the excellence of the Round Room Reports—an initiative of Bob's in 1955. It was through efforts of Bob Bristol that Sutton has garnered the lion's share of awards of New Hampshire and New England town reports from the first one in 1955 to Bob's final contribution for the 1991 Town Report. For 37 years, the Round Room Report has provided Sutton townspeople with a readable and informative report as well as a historical record for the future.

Bob can look back with great satisfaction on his 50 years of town service and be gratified at the good things he helped to bring about. He has described his 41 years as Selectman as his "greatest pride and joy" and one of "triumph and tribulation." His advice to new office holders has been that you can't go too far wrong if you care about the town—and remember that you can't please everyone.

One final Bristol story must be told. One day at his farm years ago, Bob opened his door to discover a young man in his teens who was in need of a job and a place to stay. Bob recognized the boy as someone who needed more than a roof over his head and that is how John Murphy came to live with Bob, attend high school here, and go on to college. Today, John is a lawyer and a certified public accountant living in Ohio with his wife and children. He is working toward another advanced degree while continuing his work which is a mix of law, accounting, real estate, and financial planning. One wonders where John might be today had not a man in a farm on a hill been perceptive

and sensitive enough to extend a hand when it was needed the most. Bob has the right to be proud of his influence on John's life.

Had they shared the same lifetime, Shakespeare would have had Bob Bristol in mind when he wrote, "All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players; they have their exits and entrances; and one man in his time plays many parts." Robert Stannard Bristol has played well his many parts...and he is one hard act to follow.

In the 1987 Town Report, which was dedicated to George Hosmer, Sr., Bob wrote that "if there were a Mt. Rushmore in Sutton, George's face... would be a fitting subject. The granite of King Hill would be an appropriate place for this monument of Sutton." We would suggest yet another face carved in the King Hill granite, where it would overlook the Harvey Homestead hill—the venerable and lovable curmudgeon face of Robert Stannard Bristol.



REPORT FROM THE ROUND ROOM - 1992

Although the little town of Sutton would seem to be out of the mainstream of global events, the spell of sudden change overcame the Town in 1992 just as it did in other parts of the world—sort of a worldly game of musical chairs where national leaders left and new players sat down. Beginning with the startling news of the disintegration of the USSR into individual republics, to the change of the political party in the White House, the ripple effect kept moving right into Pillsbury Memorial Hall where we saw the departure of Selectman Roy Prince after 15 years of dedicated service and the exit of Selectman Bob Bristol after 41 years of tireless devotion to the town.

We look back on the past year and see change in all areas of town government and in personnel. We “reveled” in a revaluation of properties, received mandated changes in the Current Use laws and in the Town Budget format. The most visible change perhaps is the one you hold in your hand. With the exception of one year, this 1992 Town Report is the first one in 41 years that does not have Bob Bristol’s creative mark on it. The awards garnered by Bob for Sutton in the town report competitions—both New Hampshire and New England contests—are multitudinous. The reports set the standard for creativity and narrative style. Our modest attempts in following the success of previous town reports will be readily apparent.

Our thanks and appreciation are extended to Thaddeus Johnson who resigned in January 1993 from his position as Selectman and to George Hosmer who resigned his position as Road Agent in March of 1992. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Fire Department very kindly hosted a Sutton Social in June to welcome our two new town employees, Bob Bennett and Heidi Carlson.

REVALUATION

Aside from the various changes in personnel, the revaluation was the biggest project of the year. Finally, more than a year later, we can see the light at the end of the tunnel. With the review of abatements for the 1992 tax year just completed, we have only a few more loose ends including changes in records and final tax map updates.

New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration conducted the revaluation which began with an extensive sales analysis. Appraisers did field work from January to March which included a field review of every parcel. This information is all on property assessment cards at the Selectmen’s Office. It was published in its preliminary form in the value booklet, fondly referred to as the “grey booklet,” mailed to each property owner in June. The DRA reviews were held at the Town Hall on July 13 and 14. During these reviews, taxpayers had an opportunity to discuss their assessments with state appraisers.

CURRENT USE

As if the revaluation were not sufficient to occupy our time, changes in the Current Use laws were put into effect. This meant revised applications

for most landowners and a re-entry of all the information. Gary Theis wrote a computer program which saved the Town in excess of \$2,000. He modified the existing format and converted our data to the new Current Use categories. His expertise and assistance were invaluable. As with other projects, the hours spent on this were numerous.

TAX RATE

The tax rate saw substantial change due to the revaluation. The total assessed valuation went from \$52,671,218 to \$106,218,695; the tax rate dropped from \$39.20 to \$20.64 per thousand dollars of assessment.

A more relative approach to the numbers is a comparison of budgeted figures for 1991 and 1992 as shown below.

	1991	1992
County	\$ 192,187	\$ 198,497
School	1,382,755	1,460,418
Town	943,124	964,316

Possibly due to the economic climate and changes in valuation, we had many calls about tax bills. The impact of the new assessments did not hit fully until multiplied by the 1992 tax rate. Despite this, fewer than 40 abatements were filed.

TOWN BORROWING AND DEBT

The past year showed a seemingly increased burden on our taxpayers, although December 31, 1992 arrived with approximately 75% of the 1992 levy collected. This is about the same as that collected as of December 31, 1991. We borrowed substantially more money in anticipation of taxes this past year. In 1991, \$1,460,000 was borrowed. That number increased to \$2,105,000 in 1992, excluding a short-term note of \$41,500 borrowed from the Trust Funds to meet the end of the year cash flow deficiencies.

When borrowing money in anticipation of taxes, the Town also has to consider RSA 33:4-a. This statute imposes a limit to the amount of debt a town can have outstanding at any one time. Debt cannot exceed 1.75 percent of assessed valuation. Using the rounded figure of \$106,000,000 as current assessed valuation, the Town is limited to borrowing \$1,885,000 at any one time. The existence of already outstanding debt, namely the Road Bond and Truck Note, decreases that available borrowing capacity. In 1993 that amounts to \$120,000.

GROWTH OF SPENDING AND TAXES

Everyone is painfully aware that over the past five years property taxes have increased. The tendency is to blame this on the cost of educating our children, since the taxes raised for the Kearsarge Regional School District represent by far the largest portion of the property taxes we pay in Sutton. However, as the table below shows, comparing growth in taxes from 1985 to 1992, the

voters of the Town have chosen to spend money for Town purposes at an even greater rate of increase than the School District or the County.

	1988		1992		'88-'92	%
	Taxes	%	Taxes	%	Increase	Inc.
Town	\$ 307,380	20.9	\$ 545,398	25.1	\$ 238,018	77.4
School	1,027,296	69.8	1,435,758	65.9	408,462	39.8
County	<u>136,561</u>	<u>9.3</u>	<u>196,217</u>	<u>9.0</u>	<u>59,656</u>	<u>43.4</u>
Total	\$ 1,471,237	100.0	\$ 2,177,372	100.0	\$ 706,136	48.0

The amount of taxes assessed for Town purposes is a function of many variables: (1) what is voted to be spent (appropriations); (2) what offsetting revenues are received (from Capital Reserve Funds, borrowing, State grants, motor vehicle permits, yield taxes, interest on delinquent taxes, and many other sources); and (3) what portion of the Town's accumulated surplus, if any, can be applied to the following year's expenditures.

Of these variables, the **only thing the Town voters can control** is the **appropriated expenditures**. Following is a record of the spending authorized at Town Meetings in 1988 and 1992:

	1988	1992	'88-'92 Increase	
	Appropriated	Appropriated	Amount	Percent
General Operations	\$ 532,629	\$ 814,986	\$ 282,357	53.0
Special Articles	<u>217,600</u>	<u>149,330</u>	<u>(68,270)</u>	<u>(31.4)</u>
Total	\$ 750,229	\$ 964,316	\$ 214,087	28.5

Because offsetting revenues and surplus-applied increased only 1.8% (\$468,633 in 1988 vs. \$477,177 in 1992), Town taxes went up at a greater rate than did appropriations.

Since spending decisions are made solely by those voters who attend Town Meeting, the "democratic process" in the State of New Hampshire for towns like Sutton involves only a relatively small percentage of the total voting population. Thus, it is important for those who do attend Town Meeting to be as informed as possible, to **consider carefully** the differences between **what is essential to be spent** and **what would be nice to spend**, and to act, to some extent, as representatives of the many voting citizens not in attendance.

COMPUTERIZATION

In following up on some recommendations of the 1991 Auditor's Report (see your 1991 Town Report), as well as to make our lives more organized, we have put the computer software into full use. A few years ago, payroll, accounts payable and fund-accounting software were obtained on a lease basis. We began 1993 with full utilization of all three packages. It is taking time and patience to become familiar with the programs, but it has already served to make many of our daily tasks easier.

The Town should give further consideration to acquiring a municipal package for tax collection and assessing records, transfer of ownership, checklist and voter registration, as well as numerous other functions. This would eliminate the use of Dataeast as a holding tank for all of our informa-

tion. Changes, data entry, updates, and printing functions, among other things, could all be done in-house. This would save a great deal of money, time and confusion for all of us.

Eventually a municipal package could lead to semi-annual tax billing. Although this means two tax bills, it spreads out your tax burden and gives the Town a better cash flow, reducing money spent in interest on borrowed funds. We are spending thousands of dollars in tax anticipation notes because our tax revenue arrives in December after we have been spending the appropriations for 12 months. The cost of the municipal software is about \$4,400. With it, an additional computer is needed. Of course space is a continual need. We took this item off the Town Warrant this year because there is lack of adequate space here at the Town Hall to accommodate the system.

OFFICE SPACE AT THE TOWN HALL

Under the category of banging one's head against the wall falls the issue of enlarged and improved working space at the Town Hall. Four times since 1983 the Town has approved and appropriated monies to be set aside and/or used for expansion of the limited office space. (Please read the following summary of Town Reports from 1983 through 1991.) Each time the Selectmen come to the townspeople appealing for help, it seems we must describe the problem yet one more time, although it would seem to be fairly obvious. We have SEVEN people who SHARE ONE OFFICE and ONE TABLE which we generously describe as a desk. Ask any of the town staff what it is like to have to share a work space with other people. To quote from the 1988 Town Report: "We see the barest necessity to be having a place to put one's work papers down where someone else is not going to move them, cover them up, or that they have to be put away because it is someone else's turn to use THE desk."

Sutton has the dubious distinction of being the only local town that must alternate hours for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector and the Selectmen's Office because they share the same small room. For too many years, town office employees have had to grin and bear it. For too many years, town residents have had to work around alternating and infrequent office hours.

When someone comes to the Town Hall with questions or needs information, work stops and more papers are added to the pile. Interruptions are constant. When the phone rings, someone must stand up and go to it to answer it. Better efficiency would mean greater productivity and less frustration for our town employees.

The lack of space affects other things. As an example, the Town Clerk's office is open but ten hours a week. Calls come in every day that could be handled immediately if the Town Clerk were able to be at the office on a daily basis. The recommendation by the Town Auditors (see 1991 Town Report) that the Tax Collector and Town Clerk records should be automated could be put in place. We could save **money** by **not** needing Dataeast to do our tax bill work. However, there is **NO SPACE** for that to happen, so the Town

Clerk continues to work out of her home, not necessarily an efficient or satisfactory manner for her in which to conduct Town business.

It's possible that many of you don't know that all Town committees and boards have no place in which to work at the Town Hall, Town files are kept in their homes because the Town Hall does not have space. If more than one group meets at the Town Hall, one group must use the basement and sit on kindergarten chairs.

The time has come for Sutton to realize that a situation that has been put off and put off for ten years **must** be addressed. This problem will not go away by continuing to ignore it.

The point is, for years the Selectmen have tried to gain the attention of the deplorable and inefficient working conditions. For years, the town employees have taken a back seat. The time has come for the Town Hall to be used as a Town Hall. We ask for you to focus on this when you vote for things that will impact further delay in improving Town Hall office space.

OFFICE SPACE HISTORY

1983 Town Report: "It has become evident that the office space to carry on routine administrative procedure is inadequate in the Round Room . . . The best and most practical use of space in the Town Hall is to develop offices in the basement. This concept is developed after study and planning by an architect, and by ourselves in conjunction with the Budget Committee, and other interested persons."

Article 9 ADOPTED request for monies to be set aside in order to start saving for enlarged office space.

1985 Town Report: "More and more it becomes a necessity to develop the building [town hall] to serve the municipal functions that are required of a modern town government . . . Therefore, one of the immediate goals is to provide Clerk-Collector office space and accessibility to that office in the basement of the Town Hall."

Article 5 ADOPTED request to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for alterations in the Town Hall for office space and providing access for the handicapped . . . (2/3 ballot vote required).

1986 Town Report: "The matter of improvements at the Town Hall is one of the anticipated heavy expenditures threatened with being put off year after year; one of the places where the Tax Payers will have to 'bite the bullet' some day."

Article 6 ADOPTED request for appropriation of \$16,000 for preparation of plans and specifications for a proposed addition to the Town Hall.

1987 Town Report: An article last year "requested funds for preparation of plans and specifications for the proposed addition to the Town Hall for bidding purposes. The meeting voted in favor of proceeding..." Bids were solicited, but the single bid received proved to be "out-of-line." All action on the Town Hall became "back to the drawing board." Redesign changes not only reduced costs, but were beneficial to the project.

Article 1 requested a sum of money for the addition to the Town Hall by way of bonds or notes plus withdrawing \$15,000 already set aside in the Capital Reserve Fund. This article was **defeated**. Minutes of this meeting show that townspeople did not disagree with the need for space, but felt an **addition** to the Town Hall was not appropriate.

1988 Town Report: “Office space, or simple work space continues to be a problem. We see the barest necessity to be having a place to put one’s work papers down where someone else is not going to move them, cover them up, or that they have to be put away because it is someone else’s turn to use THE desk. Our request, once verbally and once in writing, to the Sutton Coop Pre-School is that they vacate the basement area by the end of the school year in June 1989. It is a problem for them to find a new space in which to operate their school . . . but, likewise, the office space is a very real problem for us. A dilemma!”

(An Office Space Committee prepared and presented the most efficient and least expensive design for basement offices.)

Article 9 ADOPTED the request for \$7,000 to provide office working space in the basement of the Town Hall, withdrawing \$7,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose starting in 1980.

HOWEVER, immediately came . . .

Article 10 requesting that the Sutton Cooperative Daycare [sic] be allowed to continue use of the basement of the Town Hall was **ADOPTED**.

Thus, the approved use of the Town Hall basement by town employees and officials serving the public was ignored and overturned.

1989 Town Report: reads: “Since our [town officials and staff] access to the cellar area was cut off, we turned out attention to the second floor Round Room . . . but it is **not** satisfactory; as there is a lot of running up and down stairs because of the vertical separation; we are still having to pick up whatever work we are engaged in to permit the next occupant to come in for their office hours. The space is too limited.”

1991 Town Report: Auditor’s Report . . . concentrate on the automation of the Tax Collector and Town Clerk records. However, this may require the Tax Collector/Town Clerk to spend more hours at the Town Hall.

As much as the Town agrees with the Auditor’s report and would like to comply, we still **do not have the space!**

TOWN GARAGE IMPROVEMENTS

There have been changes at the Highway Garage this year in an effort to make the entire area more efficient and neater looking for passersby. Additional landscaping is planned with trees to be planted along Village Road where the salt shed now stands. Evergreens will enhance the year-round view along the cemetery fence for neighbors and travelers. Planting donations have been offered and will be planted by volunteers with the help of some Highway equipment and the Conservation Commission. A new shed is planned that will house the sander bodies, while another shed roof will cover the new asphalt pad

holding and containing the sand premixed with salt. Most of the materials are being donated and volunteers will help in the construction, reducing the cost to the Town.

Removal of the underground fuel storage tank at the Highway Garage was accomplished this past summer by Road Agent Bennett with an inspector from the N.H. Department of Environmental Services present. This is the required procedure whenever an underground storage tank of over 500 gallon capacity is removed.

The State DES official had tests done on groundwater and soil samples surrounding the tank. A minimal amount of contamination was found, however, and we were allowed to refill the hold and grade the area for surface runoff. The fuel is now being stored in an above-ground tank.

Due to the minimum leakage and low amounts of contamination, we have been placed at the lowest priority for compliance actions by the State. We feel very fortunate that this seepage was caught before it became a major environmental problem.

A warrant article is proposed for the installation of test monitoring wells and the actual testing for a period of 18 months, as required by the State DES. If no problems arise, we will be able to end the testing. By following the State guidelines, we will qualify for reimbursement from the State Super Fund of any monies exceeding \$5,000 that we spend for cleanup should any be required. However, this fund is for hazardous waste cleanup and will not cover any of the costs associated with the testing and monitoring of the site nor will it reimburse the Town for any of the costs of removal of the tank.

ROAD ACCESS PERMITS AND ROAD USE AGREEMENTS

The damage done to Town roads, including seasonal and class VI roads in particular, has been a major concern to the Selectmen for years. Efforts to limit damage to Town roads due to heavy and intensive hauling have been a major focus by the Selectmen this year. By State statute, the Town cannot spend money maintaining class VI roads. During logging operations, these roads are particularly vulnerable. Sometimes drainage flows are disrupted and deep rutting can eliminate access of any vehicles other than specialized equipment. As a result, fewer roads remain open to subsequent logging operations without considerable expenditure of time and money to make the roads passable. These costs would have to be borne by the next logger, resulting in additional expense for him.

Since most of our Town roads are gravel and readily subject to abuse and damage by improper access and heavy hauling, the Selectmen are working on a Town ordinance that will protect the taxpayers of Sutton. It is not the intent of the Selectmen to prevent logging or heavy hauling, but merely to make those who are responsible for damage to Town roads either repair or indemnify the Town for damage done to class VI roads or indemnify the Town for damage done to class V roads.

It is now required that those heavy haulers involved enter into a Road

Agreement with the Town, specifying the initial condition of the road. The Road Agent videotapes the roads before any activity to ensure agreement on its condition before hauling commences. The hauler signs an agreement to repair or indemnify the Town (backed up by a surety bond) that any damage caused will be repaired or indemnity paid to the Town.

It is the hope of the Selectmen that costs of repairs to Town roads may be reduced somewhat and that our class VI roads will be left in better condition than has often been the case in the past.

HISTORICAL

And now ending with a more pleasant note, the Board of Selectmen voted to have the research performed and paperwork prepared to nominate Pillsbury Memorial Hall to the National Register of Historic Places. A consultant worked on the project from July through September and has submitted his findings to the State Division of Historical Resources. We have been notified that the State has forwarded our application on to the National Register in Washington, DC. The Register is a program of the National Park Service and is the official federal listing of significant heritage resources worthy of preservation.

WARRANT ARTICLE NARRATIVE

BALLOT ARTICLES: Tuesday, March 9, 1993 at the Fire Station
Polls Open 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Article 1: These changes recommended by the Zoning Board of Adjustment to bring the Zoning Ordinance into conformance with the new Sutton Excavation Regulations which are administered by the ZBA.

Article 2: These changes are necessary to bring the Zoning Ordinance into conformance with those portions of the State Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act, RSA 483-B which became effective January 1, 1993.

Article 3: The setbacks from streams and rivers are recommended by the Planning Board to help protect water quality in the Town, in concert with similar measures set forth in the State Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act for lakes and ponds.

Article 4: This information will be kept on file in the Town Offices for future reference by the Board of Selectmen and the Building Inspector.

BUSINESS MEETING Wednesday, March 10, 1993 at 7:00 p.m.
ARTICLES: Kearsarge Regional High School

Article 1

This Article funds Town Operations for the ensuing year totalling \$834,138 and does not include any Special Warrant Articles. The format follows the new State chart of accounts, which Sutton has now fully adopted, *please bear with us!*

The Executive line (4130) includes the Selectmen's Office functions, Town Meeting costs, and administrative costs. Election, Registration and Vital Statistics (4140) covers costs incurred with elections, dog registrations, and fees for vital records. Financial Administration (4150) is financial functions, the Tax Collector, Treasurer, their deputies and expenses, the Budget Committee, and annual audit. These are the biggest changes from the old form. In time it will be as second hand as our old ways!

Departmental budgets include a 2.9% cost of living increase for Town employees, except for the Highway Department, which follows the State pay schedule. No raise budgeted there.

General operating costs are up slightly, and maintenance items more so. Furnaces were replaced in the Fire Station and Town Hall. Other repair items which have been neglected are now being proposed to play catch up: roof repairs at the Town Hall and Highway Garage, windows and leaks in various Town buildings.

Debt service eats up a nearly \$200,000 chunk of the operating budget. This includes \$100,000 in principal and \$13,500 in interest on the Road Bond, a Truck Note of \$20,000 with \$2,100 interest, and an estimated \$70,000 in tax anticipation notes. The borrowing of funds costs the Town a sizeable amount of money each year. In 1992, interest on tax anticipation notes totalled \$51,527. There are no plans to finance additional purchases in 1993.

Article 2

The old floor at the Highway Garage must be removed and replaced with one in compliance with Department of Environmental Services regulations, by removing the floor drains. The \$15,000 is replacement cost of the concrete. All other preparation for the floor will be done by Town employees using Town equipment.

Article 3

The application of liquid calcium chloride is a pilot program initiated by the Road Agent. It is reported to work well as a stabilization agent when applied to gravel roads and is a big asset to dust control. It should reduce the number of times certain roads need to be graded. It will also help to reduce the effects of frost heaves in the winter.

Article 4

Article 4 proposes money to continue funding for upgrade work, above and beyond the everyday general maintenance. In 1992, \$21,000 was spent on gravel for upgrade and work was done on Kearsarge Valley Road totalling \$22,680.

Article 5

The windows at the Highway Garage were not flashed and are leaking, causing the surrounding wood to rot. The back side of the roof was reshingled a few years ago, but the front side needs to be redone.

Article 6

After removal of the underground fuel storage tank this summer, test wells were dug for groundwater monitoring. This process is required by Department of Environmental Services rules.

Article 7

The Fire Department has requested a new tanker truck to replace the 1954 all-wheel-drive Reo tank truck. At least \$11,700 will be withdrawn from Capital Reserve Funds to offset the purchase.

Article 8

If Article 7 does not pass, the Budget Committee has recommended the placement of \$25,000 into a Capital Reserve Fund to offset the eventual purchase of a tanker truck.

Articles 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

Articles 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 are all of the “boilerplate” variety. Affirmative votes are required to carry out some of our administrative tasks.

Article 15

Mr. Richard Joyce has requested that the Selectmen return this tax-deeded property to him for consideration of the unpaid taxes, interest and costs. This will reduce some insurance burden on the Town as well as return the land and building to the rolls of taxable property. The property is located near the junction of Eaton Grange and Birch Hill Roads.

Article 16

Some repairs were made to the slate roof in the summer of 1992. While doing so, the roofer made notes that the bottom of the porch valley is worn out, and the step flashing below the valley is almost rusted through. The asphalt roof over the entrance is also due to be replaced with slate. Thanks to Bill Curless the leaking areas of the worn sections were patched this summer.

Article 17

The ramp is the first project recommended by the ADA Study Committee to help bring the Town Hall into compliance with ADA accessibility regulations. The ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Building Accessibility Study Committee was formed to look into necessary renovations to Town buildings.

Article 18

This is a portion of monies needed for the Millswood Cemetery expansion. In 1993, loam will be spread to cover sand and fill low spots. The total amount of the appropriation (\$2,500) will be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve Fund for Cemeteries creating no net increase in taxes.

Article 19

Seeks to supplement the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund by \$4,000 toward the purchase of a new cruiser. This form of saving is more economical than borrowing and puts the Town in a better overall financial position. Saving the money in advance earns us interest rather than costing us more for borrowed funds. It also creates a more balanced effect on the tax rate as it avoids huge one-time costs for capital purchases. Instead it spreads expenses out more evenly over time.

Article 20

This is a new reserve fund for replacement of highway equipment or a truck.

Article 21

A Petition Article was submitted to appropriate \$5,000 for the Capital Reserve Fund for Grist Mill Bridge. The Fire Department has submitted a letter stating they feel this bridge is important and should be repaired and reopened.

Article 22

Considering the forecasted cost of a new incinerator, any monies set aside in Capital Reserve will be to our benefit if the time comes that we need to purchase another one.

Article 23

An additional \$10,000 has been requested for the every day repairs which could become necessary to prolong the life of the incinerator. The Solid Waste Committee has suggested this money be raised to avoid drawing on the Capital Reserves.

Article 24

A petition has been submitted to determine whether or not the kindergarten/preschool shall continue to use the basement space of the Town Hall. The petition asks for an undetermined length of time for use by the school, however, Town Meeting votes on any subject are binding for one year only.

Article 25

Should the kindergarten/preschool have to leave the basement, this Petition Article requests \$6,600 to pay rent and utilities in another facility.

Article 26

This Article, submitted by petition, proposes to raise \$700 for the Kearsarge Area Council on Aging.

Article 27

Another Article, submitted by petition, proposes to hire a second full-time police officer. This proposal for a second officer was not presented to the Board of Selectmen.

Article 28

A 1992 Town Warrant Article asked to open, maintain and repair Blaisdell Farm Road during the entire year (it is now maintained from April 10 through December 10) and to raise and appropriate \$45,000 for reconstruction. That 1992 Article was amended and passed to appropriate \$1,000 for the plowing and sanding of Blaisdell Farm Road for the period of one year. The Article asks to extend the time period for use of these funds. This extension would allow more time to work with the Road Agent and Selectmen to formulate a more reasonable and cost-effective plan to open Blaisdell Farm Road. The delay in working out such a plan was due to the decision to wait until the Road Committee Road Survey was completed and reviewed.

Article 29

The Bradford/Newbury Youth Sports Association has again requested \$1,000 by petition. The money is to offset costs incurred with baseball, basketball and soccer programs.

Article 30

This Petition Article requests voters to instruct the Selectmen's Office to construct a plan for the renovations to all Town buildings. Currently, the ADA Building Accessibility Study Committee is investigating the regulations and status of Town buildings.

Article 31

The purpose of this Article is to provide funds for land acquisition for conservation purposes in the Town of Sutton and to cover costs associated with the purchase of land and management of existing lands held by the Sutton Conservation Commission.

The intent of the N.H. Current Use statute is to encourage land conservation in the State. Land in Current Use has development restrictions; the owner receives a tax abatement in compensation for such restrictions. If property is removed from Current Use, the owner pays a tax penalty. This Article allocates 25% of this tax penalty to the Sutton Conservation Fund and would be used for land acquisition which would compensate for conservation land lost by removal from Current Use. Both Bradford and Newbury residents voted to allocate 50% of this tax penalty in their towns to their Conservation Fund. Some 38 New Hampshire towns have taken similar action.

Article 32

This Article is a consensus of the Boards of Selectmen in the seven towns of the Kearsarge Regional School District and appears on their Town Warrants. It is a non-binding Article to determine the feelings of the voters of the School District.

Article 33

The Police Department's Bronco has served its useful life here and the time has come to sell it.

Article 34, 35

Articles 34 and 35 are non-binding questions posed by the Selectmen to gain the feelings of the general public on the future locations of Town Meeting and the polling place.

Once again, we must apologize for the length and complexity of the Warrant. To repeat last year's accurate synopsis, this is "symptomatic of the increasing intricacies of our Town and form of government."



SUTTON SELECTMEN STANLEY L. LeBRUN (left) and RICHARD L. KING

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT**

The Polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Fire Station in said Sutton on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, 1993 next at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sutton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, General Provisions:

- a. Change Paragraph B to read "...subject to New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and the Town of Sutton Excavation Regulations,..."
- b. Omit sections B.1, B.2, and B.3.
- c. Section B.4 becomes B.1 with the words "a permit required" deleted.
- d. Section B.5 becomes B.2 and B.6 becomes B.3.

Article 3: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sutton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV, Residential District:

Change section D.3 to read:

3. Septic tanks and leaching portions of septic systems for all new construction shall be set back from all ponds and lakes as follows:
 - a. Where the receiving soil down gradient of the leaching portions of a septic system is a porous sand and gravel material with a percolation rate faster than two (2) minutes per inch, the setback shall be at least 125 feet from the public boundary line (ordinary high water mark as defined in RSA 483-B3, paragraph XIa).
 - b. For soils with restrictive layers within 18 inches of the natural soil surface, the setback shall be at least 100 feet from the public boundary line.
 - c. For all other soil conditions, the setback shall be at least 75 feet from the public boundary line.

Article 4: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sutton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article V, Rural-Agricultural District:

Change section D.3 to read:

3. Septic tanks and leaching portions of septic systems

for all new construction shall be set back from any soils defined by the National Cooperative Soil Survey as poorly or very poorly drained, 50 and 75 feet, respectively. Adjacent to streams and rivers which flow year-round, as shown on the most current version of the U.S. Geological Survey 7½ minute topographic maps, setbacks shall be as follows:

- a. Where the receiving soil down gradient of the leaching portions of a septic system is a porous sand and gravel material with a percolation rate faster than two (2) minutes per inch, the setback shall be at least 125 feet from the ordinary high water mark (as defined in RSA 483-B4, paragraph XVIc).
- b. For soils with restrictive layers within 18 inches of the natural soil surface, the setback shall be at least 100 feet from the ordinary high water mark.
- c. For all other soil conditions, the setback shall be at least 75 feet from the ordinary high water mark.

Article 5: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Sutton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV, Residential District:

Add Sub-paragraph 3(f)

- f. All new home occupations shall file a letter of intent with the Board of Selectmen stating the type of proposed business, number of employees anticipated, and a brief explanation of typical business activities.

Given under our hands and seal, this fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

Richard L. King
Stanley L. LeBrun
Marjorie R. Knight
Selectmen of Sutton, N.H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Richard L. King
Stanley L. LeBrun
Marjorie R. Knight
Selectmen of Sutton, N.H.

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Kearsarge Regional High School in said Sutton on Wednesday, the tenth day of March, next at seven of the clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1

To raise and appropriate the sum of \$834,138 to defray the Town charges for the 1993 fiscal year.

General Government:

4130 Executive	\$	55,825
4140 Election, Registration, Vital Statistics.....		1,522
4150 Financial Administration.....		42,764
4152 Revaluation of Property		7,000
4153 Legal Expense		6,000
4155 Employee Benefits		25,490
4191 Planning Board.....		3,000
4192 Zoning Board		1,600
4194 General Government Buildings		17,690
4195 Cemeteries		7,500
4196 Insurance		49,078
4197 Advertising and Regional Association		1,168

Public Safety:

4210 Police Department	\$	58,568
4215 Ambulance.....		3,500
4220 Fire Department		14,500
4225 Forest Fire		500
4240 Building Inspection		1,000
4290 Emergency Management		200

Highways, Sanitation, Health, Welfare:

4312 Highway Department.....	\$	241,150
4316 Street Lighting		6,000
4324 Incinerator Facility.....		51,827
4411 Health Administration.....		100
4415 Health Agencies and Hospitals		6,633
4442 Direct Assistance		9,500
4443 Welfare Administration.....		3,576

Culture and Recreation:

4520 Sutton Cooperative Kindergarten	\$	2,500
Common, Churches, Museum		1,163
4550 Library		8,409

4583 Patriotic Purposes	400
4611 Conservation Commission	350

Debt Service:

4711 Principal on Long-Term Notes	\$	120,000
4721 Interest on Long-Term Notes		15,600
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes		70,000
	\$	834,138

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for replacement of the floor at the Highway Garage.

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 for liquid calcium chloride.

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 to upgrade paved and gravel roads.

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,950 to make repairs to the windows and roof at the Highway Garage.

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for test wells and monitoring at the Highway Garage.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$83,600 to purchase and equip a new tanker truck for the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department; and to authorize the withdrawal of \$7,700 plus all accrued interest from the Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Equipment and to authorize the withdrawal of \$4,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund for Forest Fire Equipment to offset said appropriation.
(If this Article passes, Article 8 will not be considered.)

Article 8

(If Article 7 does not pass.) To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to N.H. RSA 35:1 for the acquisition of a Fire Truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in said fund.

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend, without further action by Town Meeting, money from

the State, Federal or any other governmental or private source which becomes available during the year in accordance with the procedures set forth in RSA 31:95-b.

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19.

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the Town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e. The Selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting any such gift, and the acceptance shall not bind the Town to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair, or replacement of any such personal property. This authorization shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of Town Meeting.

Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey any real estate acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's deed. Such conveyance shall be by deed following a public auction, or the property may be sold by advertised sealed bids, or may be otherwise disposed of as justice may require, pursuant to RSA 80:80.

Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to accept any of the monies received during the year since the 1992 Annual Meeting for the establishment of trust funds.

Article 15

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen in accordance with RSA 80:42 III, to sell and convey by deed the property known as land and building off Eaton Grange Road, tax map 3 lot 862,293 to Richard W. Joyce, in consideration of the payment of all unpaid taxes, interest, and costs.

Article 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,750 for repairs to the slate roof at Pillsbury Memorial Hall.

Article 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for construction of a ramp and platform at Pillsbury Memorial Hall.

Article 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for expansion of the Millswood Cemetery; and to authorize the withdrawal of \$2,500 from the Capital Reserve Fund for Cemeteries.

Article 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for a Police Cruiser.

Article 20

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to N.H. RSA 35:1 for the acquisition of Highway Equipment/Truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in said fund.

Article 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Grist Mill Bridge.
(By Petition of Stanley LeBrun, and 26 others.)

Article 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Incinerator Replacement.

Article 23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for repairs to the Incinerator.

Article 24

To see if the voters of the Town of Sutton will vote to allow the Sutton Cooperative Kindergarten/Preschool Center to continue to use the basement of the Town Hall as a Title III non-profit private kindergarten center until the voting population of the Town of Sutton deems it necessary for the Center to leave or until such time as the Kearsarge School District provides public kindergarten.

(By Petition of Jennifer Swett, and 29 others.)

Article 25

To see if the voters of the Town of Sutton will vote to appropriate the sum of \$6,600 to be used towards the relocation of the Sutton Cooperative Kindergarten/Preschool Center to subsidize rent and utilities in the event that Article 24 does not pass.

(By Petition of Jennifer Swett, and 26 others.)

Article 26

To see if the Town of Sutton will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700 (seven hundred and no/100 dollars) for the purposes of supporting

and funding the administrative functions of the newly founded Kearsarge Area Council on Aging.
(By Petition of Patricia Fischer, and 52 others.)

Article 27

To see if the voters of the Town of Sutton will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000 and authorize its expenditure by the Sutton Police Department to pay the salary of a second full-time officer.
(By Petition of Herbert Gustafsson, and 29 others.)

Article 28

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700 for the plowing and sanding of Blaisdell Farm Road, being Town Road #70 between Blaisdell Hill Road (#68) and Kemah Road (#69).
(By Petition of Lorna Geggis, and 24 others.)

Article 29

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) and authorize its expenditure by the Bradford/Newbury Youth Sports Organization, said expenditure to assist in defraying the cost of maintaining the Bradford Elementary School Soccer and Baseball Field and the Brown/Shattuck Athletic Field. Said funds will also be utilized to defray the cost of liability insurance; baseball, basketball and soccer equipment and uniforms.
(By Petition of Judith Magee, and 41 others.)

Article 30

To see if the voters of the Town of Sutton will vote to instruct the Selectmen's Office to construct a long-range plan to provide the necessary funding to make all town buildings handicapped accessible in accordance with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) rulings. This includes the basement of the Pillsbury Town Hall, the upper and lower levels of the Sutton Free Library, the Sutton Fire Station, the Old Store Museum, and any other town-owned facilities.
(By Petition of Tami Raynor, and 25 others.)

Article 31

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 25% of the revenues collected from the Land Use Change Tax pursuant to RSA 79-A in the Sutton Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II.
(By Petition of Eugene J. Aubert, and 36 others.)

Article 32

To see if the Town will vote to support having the Kearsarge Regional School District Annual Meeting held simultaneously at several places, one

such place to be designated the central meeting place and the others as subsidiary meeting places. Communications between all places shall be continuously available, and the voters at all places shall have the opportunity to participate in the District Meeting in a manner satisfactory to the officers calling the meeting.

Article 33

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the Police Department 1983 Ford Bronco 4×4 wagon.

Article 34

To see if the Town prefers Town Meeting to be held at the high school rather than at the Town Hall once the Town Hall is in compliance with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accessibility regulations.
(Non-binding vote)

Article 35

To see if the Town prefers to hold voting at the Fire Station rather than at the Town Hall once the Town Hall is in compliance with ADA accessibility regulations.
(Non-binding vote)

Article 36

To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-three.

Richard L. King
Stanley L. LeBrun
Marjorie R. Knight
Selectmen of Sutton, N.H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Richard L. King
Stanley L. LeBrun
Marjorie R. Knight
Selectmen of Sutton, N.H.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

For the Year Ending December 31, 1992

The Planning Board meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at Pillsbury Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. Townspeople are invited to attend any of the meetings, all of which are open to the public. All regular and alternate member positions are now filled on the Board, however, persons interested in becoming involved in committee work crucial to the planning process in Sutton should contact the Chairman or the Board of Selectmen.

As a result of a favorable vote by the Town last March, the Planning Board became involved this year with the Town Road Committee in an engineering inventory of the Town road system. All the maintained roads in Town were surveyed and a computer database was established to record various physical aspects of the roadways, level of maintenance and so forth. This information is an important element of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) plan, which the Planning Board is charged with updating periodically. The original CIP was drafted for the Town in 1988 and will need to be revised in the next year or two.

A great deal of time was spent by the Board on the idea of a Commercial Zone in the vicinity of Exit 10 at Interstate 89. Site suitability for non-residential development was a main focus of investigation, and the ownership and existing land use patterns were examined. The concept of commercial development was broken down into three specific types of land use which would be appropriate to the character of Sutton and likely to produce enterprises which would provide community services and employ local people. The three potential "zones" would include a small area for highway service zone near the exit, a larger manufacturing/office park south of Gile Pond Road, and a tract for a retirement community or residential health care facility east of the exit. The cluster of existing homes in the area would be included in a new residential enclave. Much work needs to be done to shape up this possible zoning amendment, and public input will be invited in a series of workshop sessions with the Board in 1993.

Two issue areas which the Planning Board has also explored this year include provision for affordable housing in the Town and the need to shift to soil-based lot sizing. The issue of affordable housing has become acute in New Hampshire due to the rising cost of housing, and the Town of Chester v. Britton court case has forced all municipalities to review the legal strength of local zoning and subdivision regulations. Essentially, there must be provision for multi-family housing or single-family housing on small lots, as a matter of right, in order to meet the current legal interpretations. The issue of soil-based lot sizing is directly related to affordable housing since the scientific formula used allows for small lots (beginning at about one acre) on some soils. A model ordinance for soil-based lot sizing, prepared by a committee of soil scientists, the National Home Builders Association and others, is currently under study by the Planning Board.

The Planning Board has also been reviewing several proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and the Subdivision Regulations, some of which have been presented to the Board via citizen requests. Some are still under study and others should appear under this year's Warrant articles. One idea which may have merit is a provision in the Zoning Ordinance to allow a small margin of flexibility in the minimum lot size where lot line adjustments are proposed. This would be helpful since many of the existing lots of record are non-conforming in one or more ways, but could be made more conforming by common sense adjustments to the lot shape or size. More study is expected this coming year.

The number of applications received by the Planning Board was quite low again this year, although several persons appeared before the Board for non-binding consultations which did not result in applications. A synopsis of applications is found below.

Annexations Granted:		
Bennett/Pelfor		June 9
Subdivisions Approved:		
Robert Bristol		June 9
David Graham		September 8
Site Plans Approved:		
Sutton Elementary School		August 11

Dan Sundquist, Chairman
Anita Blakeman
Russ Breck
Naia Florence
Margaret Forbes
Jean Vivian
Nancy Bronder
Bruce Denis
Susan Uhl
Richard King, Ex-Officio
Sarah Denz, Recording Secretary

CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 19 towns and the City of Concord in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Sutton is a member in good standing of the Commission.

The CNHRPC is one of nine RPC's organized under RSA 36:45-53 to prepare coordinated regional plans and to assist communities with local planning activities. Every city and town in New Hampshire is within an organized region.

Our principle charge is to prepare a coordinated plan for the region, while providing planning assistance to member communities.

Our accomplishments over the last year include:

The Commission adopted the *Housing Element of the Regional Master Plan* in September. The plan identifies housing needs in the region, the role of the CNHRPC in housing, and methods to address housing in towns and cities.

The regional transportation plan is the focus of our current fiscal year. We intend to complete the plan and our first ever transportation improvement program (TIP), the capital improvement plan for transportation in the region.

The plans of the nine regions form the basis for the state transportation plan. The state plan will become increasingly dependent on regional plans for data, public involvement and transportation alternatives.

If the region and its communities are to maintain and improve its transportation infrastructure, we must approach consensus on our transportation priorities, both in terms of general objectives and in terms of specific projects. The input of every community is therefore critical, so we intend to devote considerable effort to public input on the plan and TIP.

In 1992, the CNHRPC published the *Cooperative Purchases and Municipal Services Study* in which we identified the range of services provided by our communities, the general purchasing methods used, sources of information on improved purchasing methods, and the level of interest in cooperative purchases and services delivery in each community.

The Commission continues to provide high quality and timely services to member municipalities through circuit riding, master plan assistance, research, and other technical assistance.

With technical assistance from the RPC and in cooperation with interested cities and towns, Merrimack County is preparing its first overall economic development plan.

Specific activities in Sutton included: providing an outline for preparing a capital improvements plan and sample CIP's; providing square mileage for Sutton (42.3) and nearby towns; providing information on affordable housing requirements (including a set of "tests" to determine whether town zoning is exclusionary); providing soil based lot sizing report; providing information on some of the impacts of the new surface transportation act on highway projects.

Bill Klubben
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1992

The Zoning Board of Adjustment schedules public hearings upon receipt of a request for a special exception or a variance to the Zoning Ordinance or an appeal from an administrative decision. Applications for such a hearing are available at the Town Office or from the secretary of the Board of Adjustment. Copies of the Zoning Ordinance are also available at the Town Office.

During 1992, the Zoning Board of Adjustment held public hearings on the following appeals:

January 27, 1992 — Thomas and Theresa Fielding requested a special exception to Article III, Section J.2 of the Sutton Zoning Ordinance in order to permit the use of a travel trailer during construction of a home on Roby Road in a rural-agricultural district of Sutton. **GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS.**

May 27, 1992 — George and Linda Rowe requested a variance to Article V, Section C.4 of the Sutton Zoning Ordinance to ask that said terms be waived for two purposes: a) To permit the construction of a 10' by 10' addition to their home, to be located nearer than twenty-five feet from an abutter's property line on High Mowing Road in a rural-agricultural district of Sutton. **GRANTED.** b) To allow a wood shed already standing to be located nearer than twenty-five feet from an abutter's property line on High Mowing Road in a rural-agricultural district of Sutton. **DENIED.**

July 29, 1992 — Michael F. Whelan requested a special exception in accordance with Article V.A, Section 1 of the Sutton Zoning Ordinance in order to permit temporary use of a construction trailer until his house is completed, located on Nelson Hill Road in a rural-agricultural district of Sutton. **GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS.**

August 26, 1992 — Town of Sutton Highway requested a special exception regarding Article III, Section G.1 of the Sutton Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of improving town property. **GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS.**

December 16, 1992 — Jeff Johnson Contracting, representing the property owner, requested a variance to Article IV, Section C.4 to build a deck within setback building lines on property owned by Jon McKenna on Penacook Road, Kezar Lake in a residential district of North Sutton. **GRANTED.**

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew R. Supplee, Chair
Martha B. Denz, Co-Chair
Thaddeus Johnson, Ex-officio
William Hallahan
Steve Vallandigham

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

As you will see on the following pages, 1992 was an even busier year for the Sutton Police Department than was 1991 in the number of incoming calls received. However, many areas (type of calls) stayed fairly constant. Types of calls in which we experienced notable increases of activity include **domestic/civil/abuse** situations, **telephone harrassment** complaints, **juvenile** offenses, paperwork service, **vandalism** (criminal mischief) complaints, **follow-up investigations**, and **conferences with attorneys**. The latter two, follow-up investigations and conferences with attorneys relate directly to an emphasis on my part to follow through completely on as many cases as time permits in the area of investigation. This involves numerous interviews with victims, witnesses and suspects—the end result is that more cases have been closed than in years past. The subsequent result is that I am spending more time in court prosecuting these same cases and, consequently, more time speaking with attorneys who represent the subjects I have charged.

As of December 31, 1992, **we had received 3,223 calls for service, up 737 calls over the previous 12-month period (2,486 calls)—an increase of over 29% from 1991!** This is an overwhelming number of calls for one full-time officer with two part-time officers to adequately handle. The last time we had an increase in the manpower portion of our budget was in 1990. Since then, the total number of incoming calls has increased over 77% (1,412 more calls)—to say that we are “stretched to the max” to try to answer these calls is indeed an understatement. Consequently, we have necessarily resorted to placing the State Police on call as needed.

Hours of Coverage

As Chief, I averaged 58 hours of active service per week, Officer Bates averaged 21 hours of active service per week, Officer Nelson averaged 11 hours of active service per week and Officer Cloutier averaged over six hours of active service per week. Each of these officers worked intermittently throughout the year as his/her schedule would permit. Overall, we provided 85 hours of active coverage per week to the Town, exclusive of on-call time.

The vast majority of our time is **reactive** in nature—that is to say, we answer incoming calls and investigate reported incidents. Our weak point is our lack of **crime prevention** activities—with our current manpower funding we can barely keep pace with incoming calls, let alone genuinely address the issue of effective crime prevention. To a large degree, we rely on each resident to report events which seem “out of place.”

The Years to Come

Looking forward to 1993 and beyond, I suspect that the total number of calls will level off since we are already receiving more calls than is expected from a community of our size. I also fully expect to see a continued increase in juvenile and domestic related calls since we are experiencing an increase of young people in our communities entering their teenage years. Of course, the high school will continue to generate calls for service, many of which relate

directly to communities other than our own since the school is regional in nature. I would very much like to see an increase in the funding for the manpower portion of our budget so that we might cover more than 85 hours per week, so that we might become more preventive in nature, and so that we might have the time to fully investigate and prosecute each call that we receive.

Calls for Service

For your interest and information, included is a breakdown of our calls for service received through our 927-4422 exchange and answered either by New London Dispatch or Chief Lambert at the office in his residence.

Number of Calls Received Per Month:

	1989	1990	1991	1992
January	103	163	228	224
February	90	124	236	285
March	83	114	223	269
April	91	151	239	285
May	108	173	238	293
June	122	143	224	287
July	145	168	184	201
August	140	127	200	267
September	141	108	163	323
October	145	165	188	324
November	118	218	182	282
December	<u>115</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>183</u>
Totals	1,401	1,811	2,486	3,223

Number of Calls Received by Type:

	1990	1991	1992
Arson (Intentional Fire)		1	1
Assaults	1	11	10
Assist Other Town Dept.	7	14	16
Assist Other Law Enforcement	35	52	37
Bomb Threat	2		1
Bribery Attempt			1
Burglar/Trouble/Fire Alarms	39	45	50
Business Checks	609	911	832
Complaints on Officer	3	2	4
Criminal Threatening	1	8	11
Criminal Trespass	7	31	22
Death/Medical Notification	4	7	2
Disabled/Abandoned Vehicles	47	118	75
Disorderly Conduct	17	17	17
Dog/Cat/Wildlife	84	144	113
Domestic/Civil/Abuse	65	37	63
Drug/Alcohol Incidents	5	48	36
Dumping/Littering/Debris	7	7	11

Environmental/Climatic	17	28	28
Follow-Up Investigations	185	312	445
Harrassment	10	10	31
House Checks	133	314	279
Informational Calls	408	592	561
Issuing Bad Checks	2	2	3
Juvenile Matters	41	43	65
KRHS	19	27	33
Lawyers/Attorneys			86
Medical (Non-Motor Vehicle)	37	51	53
Missing/Lost Persons	4	13	5
Motor Vehicle Accidents	79	133	74
Motor Vehicle Complaints	38	57	61
Motor Vehicle Stops	1,212	1,460	1,503
Paperwork Service*	39	34	47
Pistol Permits	12	18	16
Probation/Parole Violations	2	2	8
Property Recovered	8	22	16
Repossession Standby	2	3	5
Request for Reports			58
Shots Fired/Firearms	5	7	12
Special Details	14	28	28
Standards & Training			28
Suspicious Person Checks	25	50	32
Suspicious Vehicles	27	40	21
Theft/Burglary	54	116	93
Tickets Issued (MV Violations)	133	198	302
Training	2	8	7
Transport/Escort	10	45	37
Untimely Deaths	1	4	5
Vandalism (Criminal Mischief)	22	37	54
Vehicle Lockout	6	10	14
Welfare Checks			16
Warnings (Motor Vehicle)	1,073	1,256	1,195

*Paperwork Service includes service of subpoenas, restraining orders, court orders, arrest warrants, search warrants, summonses, juvenile petitions, etc.

Again I would like to extend my personal appreciation to each member of the Sutton Rescue Squad, the Sutton Fire Department, the Sutton Highway Department and the Sutton Health Officer for timely services rendered to the Sutton communities. Additionally, I would like to thank Dan O'Leary and the individual members of the KRHS Ecology Club for keeping the Exit 10 bridges from becoming offensive. A special word of recognition and thanks also goes to these individuals who have served the Town in the recent past: George Hosmer, former Road Agent; Charles Forsberg, former Health Officer;

Robert Gagnon, former Fire Chief. Each of these persons has had an active roll in making Sutton a better community in which to live.

1992 saw the passing on of several members of our community, each of whom had a part in making Sutton the distinctive and unique community that it is. We should pause from time to time to remember those who have come before us and to learn from them lest we become convinced that we are of greater consequence than time and reality might suggest.

In particular, I was deeply moved and saddened by the tragic death of Marc Geoffrion. I still have difficulty verbalizing my feelings without being moved to tears. I can only say that after that evening in June, the world in general didn't seem to be as nice, as simple or as clean a place in which to live. I dedicate to Marc and his family my efforts in working with the young people of the Kearsarge Regional School District.

Respectfully submitted in the spirit of
service to the Sutton communities,
John R. Lambert
Police Chief

REPORT OF THE BRADFORD RESCUE SQUAD

The Bradford Rescue Squad Ambulance covers the Town of Sutton up to the Gile Pond Road, also East Sutton and Route 89 between Exits 9 and 10. In 1992, the ambulance responded to 23 calls in this area.

The Bradford Rescue Squad is a completely volunteer organization that survives on donations and fund raising for its day-to-day expenses. We do not charge the patients or the towns for providing this service. There are presently 22 members of Bradford Rescue. Three members are drivers, 13 are EMT's, three are EMT-Intermediates (advanced skills), one is an RN/EMT, one is an RN/EMT Intermediate, and one is a Paramedic. In addition, 13 of the members are certified to use the defibrillator. Three of our members are Sutton residents.

In March of 1984, the Bradford Rescue Squad purchased a new ambulance with funds appropriated at Town Meetings in Bradford, Newbury, Sutton and Warner. It was projected that the ambulance would last 10 years. In March of 1994, we will again approach the towns to appropriate funds for a new ambulance. The estimated cost is \$80,000. Based on the statistics over the last five years, we have averaged 14% of our runs in the Town of Sutton. Therefore, we will be asking the townspeople of Sutton to appropriate between \$11,000 and \$12,000 in 1994.

We thank you for your continued support and wish you a safe and healthy year!

Carl Olson
Captain
Bradford Rescue Squad

REPORT OF THE SUTTON RESCUE SQUAD

During 1992, the Sutton Rescue Squad responded to 75 calls for assistance. Our responses typically involved one or more of the following agencies: the Sutton Fire Department, Sutton Police Department, Bradford Ambulance and New London Ambulance. Our deepest thanks are extended to these groups for their professionalism and assistance throughout the year.

The Sutton Fire Department and its members deserve special mention. Through our joint efforts, a rescue truck was purchased and equipped at *no cost* to the taxpayers. It is estimated that the replacement cost of this vehicle is well over \$70,000. The truck will be jointly operated and will respond to both fire and rescue calls. The members of both agencies deserve a vote of thanks for the time and effort given to this project.

Our members continue to invest a large amount of time in the training necessary to provide you a high level of service. These efforts will continue in 1993, with major emphasis being placed on Incident Command and Mass-Casualty Incident Training, Hazardous Materials Certification and EMT Recertification Training.

The efforts of the Rescue Squad are done at little cost to the taxpayers of Sutton. *Less than 10%* of our operating revenue is generated through tax dollars. Consequently, our fund-raising letter and events need your continued, enthusiastic support. Our small group can continue to provide a high level of medical care only with your help.

There remains a constant need for both emergency responders and administrative help. Your participation in our group can have a dramatic effect on the lives of your friends and neighbors. Please contact us at 927-4180 for further information.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Freire, Jr., Chief
Sutton Rescue Squad

REPORT OF THE SUTTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Log for 1992:

Chimney Fires	8
Structure Fires	6
Forest/Grass	5
Smoke Investigation/Fire Alarm	6
Mutual Aid	4
Motor Vehicle Fires	1
Accidents	14
Possible Structure Fires	4
Dumpster Fire	1
Gas Leak	1
TOTAL CALLS	50

In 1992, the Department continued to train with surrounding towns and as a department on updating its skills. Training included two members certifying in Scuba Search & Rescue and six members completing Defensive Driving. A Vehicle Extraction course with the Rescue Squad was also conducted. A portable rescue tool similar to the Jaws of Life was donated to the Department from the New London Fire Department. This is a definite asset for the Department due to the number of motor vehicle accident calls the Department responds to. The Department is working with the Rescue Squad on the feasibility of purchasing a rescue van for the transportation of Fire Department and Rescue Squad equipment. The money for the purchase of this vehicle will be through donated and raised funds from both departments at no additional cost to the taxpayers.

Our plans for the future include replacing the 1954 all-wheel-drive Reo tank truck with a new tanker. This would give the Department an up-to-date reliable vehicle which can haul more water. The Reo would still be used for warm weather calls, i.e. forest fires. The Department plans to continue training for greater mutual aid relations with surrounding towns.

Improvements in the fire house include a new furnace to heat the meeting room and bathroom areas more efficiently and a new furnace to be used for heating the bay area. The radio room has been updated with a built-in desk and cabinets to make radio communications operate more efficiently. A Foam Proportioner, which mixes a foam concentrate with water, has also been purchased. This should greatly reduce man hours at mop up.

The Department would also like to take a moment to thank the various entities within the Town who work with us to make our job effective. To Robert Gagnon for a job well done in the past three years as Chief and, last but not least, to Robert S. Bristol, who has been a member of the Fire Department since 1943 and held the position of secretary for over 30 of those years.

Respectfully submitted,
Darrel Palmer, Fire Chief
Chris Rowe, Captain
D. Scott Palmer, 1st Lt.
Matt Grimes, 2nd Lt.

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

1992 was below average for wildfires reported in our state. Our largest fire was in May in Rumney where a suspicious origin fire burned approximately 150 acres with a total cost of approximately \$30,000. The N.H. Division of Forest and Lands assisted many other communities in wildland fire suppression as well.

Our fire lookout towers reported 289 fires, burning a total of 136 acres. Our major causes of fires were fires kindled without a permit, unknown causes and children.

Please help your town and state forest fire officials with fire prevention. New Hampshire State Law (RSA 224:27) requires that, “No person, firm or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire or burn or cause to be burned any material in the open, except when the ground is covered with snow, **without first obtaining a written fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town where the burning is to be done.**” Violation of this statute is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or a year in jail and you are liable for all fire suppression costs.

Local fire departments are responsible for suppressing fires. The small average fire size of .47 acre/fire is a tribute to early detection by the public or our fire tower system and the quick response of our trained local fire departments. Please help your Warden and fire department by requesting and obtaining a fire permit **before** kindling an open fire.

The N.H. Division of Forests and Lands assisted 28 towns with a total of \$20,000 in 50/50 cost share grants for fire fighter safety items and wildland suppression equipment in 1992.

If you have any questions regarding New Hampshire forest fire laws, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden, State Forest Ranger, or Division of Forests and Lands at 271-2217.

For fire permits and information, call 927-4440.

FOREST FIRE STATISTICS - 1992

	State	District	Town
Number of Fires	289	59	—0—
Acres Burned	136	29	—0—

Bryan C. Nowell
Forest Ranger

Carroll Thompson
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Sutton went through many changes in 1992 with new Selectmen, Administrative Assistant and Road Agent topping the list of changes. Changes in the building trend continue as well. We issued 53 building permits in 1992, 16 more than 1991. The number of homes in Sutton increased by seven, two more than 1991. Welcome to the new families occupying those new homes and welcome to the new families occupying existing homes.

The growth of Sutton continues slowly, bringing change to our community. My family, and I'm sure others would agree, thinks this slow growth is the best way to change. Other permits issued include six small out-buildings, 30 additions or alterations, and 12 barns or garages.

Two projects that I feel enhanced our community last year were the Sutton school addition and the new bathhouse at the State Park at Kezar Lake. The addition/alteration to the school is completed and I think it was well done. The bathhouse took a little longer than expected, but is now complete and is a nice clean facility. I recommend everyone in Sutton check out these two fine projects. As Building Inspector I get to meet the people of Sutton and work with the Town officials. I want to say this year of change in Town government has been cooperative for me.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Grover
Building Inspector



WAYNE GROVER, SUTTON BUILDING INSPECTOR

REPORT OF THE ADA COMMITTEE

The ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Committee was formed in August of 1992 for the purpose of reporting to the Selectmen the necessary steps to bring the Town's public buildings into compliance with Federal statutes signed into law by President Bush on July 26, 1990. Town-owned buildings used by the public and employees must be handicapped accessible before 1992. However, additional time has been allowed because of the Town's application for historic building status for Pillsbury Memorial Hall.

Compliance is mandatory and the following recommendations were made to the Selectmen to bring the three main buildings into compliance:

1. Town Hall: A wooden ramp to be built for accessibility on the left side of the steps and to be built to Federal specifications; a unisex handicapped restroom to be constructed on the main floor of the Town Hall.
2. Fire Station: The restroom to be made handicapped accessible.
3. Library: a buzzer-type call system to be installed so that handicapped persons may ring for assistance from the Librarian.

The Committee recommends strongly that the Town vote to appropriate the necessary monies for the needed changes.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell Currier
Chairman
ADA Committee

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

This year has been a full one for the Highway Department and a year of changes. I took over as Road Agent in May of 1992, when George Hosmer, Jr. retired after many years of dedicated service to the Town of Sutton. Much appreciation is extended to George Hosmer and to David Benedict, who worked as Acting Road Agent until my employment in May and helped to make the transition a smooth one.

At present we have a four-man crew. We maintain approximately 70 miles of gravel roads and 15 miles of paved roads. Due to the severity of ice conditions on gravel roads, large amounts of winter sand contaminated what gravel is already there. In the future, 90% of these roads will need to be upgraded.

In the past year we've graveled Old Blaisdell Road from Route 114 to the end as well as part of Eaton Grange Road and Rowell Hill. Blue stone was spread on Rowell Hill and a small amount on Corporation Hill. Drainage is an additional problem with gravel with about 75% of the gravel roads needing drainage work. This year we did drainage work on Old Blaisdell Road, Eaton

Grange Road, Corporation Hill and others. Pike Industries paved 4,950 feet of Kearsarge Valley Road using stabilization fabric, bank run and crushed gravel. Pike also shimmed two sections of Gile Pond Road.

With the cooperation of both the Selectmen and Road Committee, an engineering firm was hired to do a RSMS (Road Surface Management System) to prioritize the maintenance of roads.

We cut trees behind the Town Garage and leveled the area for storage of winter sand. We plan to organize this area for better storage of materials and equipment. We removed both the diesel and gas storage tanks from the ground to meet with state regulations.

As the new Road Agent, it is my goal to try and keep the Town roads up to standards, realizing the Town budget and trying to stay within that budget. During the winter it is my goal to keep the roads as safe as possible with proper use of de-icing chemicals with special regard to the effects on roadside vegetation and groundwater.

At this time, I would like to extend my thanks to the Selectmen, the Road Committee and the Townspeople—and a sincere thanks to the men of the Highway Department, whose dedication and resourcefulness sometimes seems to go unnoticed.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert S. Bennett
Road Agent



Sutton Road Agent Robert Bennett, shown also above with his crew, from left: Bennett, Dennis Stevens, David Benedict and Paul Parker.



1992 ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT

The purpose of the Road Committee is to assist the Selectmen in the planning and execution of capital road improvements. The last bond issue for road improvements was voted by the Town in 1989 and \$500,000 was spent in the following three years in accordance with priorities established in the 1988 Capital Improvement Report. That bond issue will be paid off in 1994.

As requested by the Planning Board and approved by the Selectmen, the Road Committee focused its efforts this year on the study of all Town roads to identify long-range improvements required, priority of repair and costs. Provan & Lorber, Inc. from Contoocook was selected to complete this study and performed the work between June and September of this year. This report includes an inventory of all Town roads, the condition of each road, a list of all repairs in order of priority and the estimated cost of repair.

The highlights of this report reveals that Sutton has 83 miles of roads, 64 miles of which are in Class V condition or better. Sixteen miles of these roads are asphalt paved and the remainder are gravel. Although the total estimated cost for repairs is staggering, the good news is that we now have a management tool for attacking the problem systematically and the ability to measure results.

Provan & Lorber's report was presented in Road Surface Management System (RSMS) format. This is a widely accepted program within the state that is very useful to the Selectmen, Planning Board and Road Agent. The report is easy to update as repairs are performed and as road conditions change.

The Road Committee assisted the Road Agent this year in locating existing culverts on several roads to help update records. Three roads in the Town are currently unnamed and need to be officially designated. These roads include two by Morse Loop and one off Whiskey Pine.

The Road Committee meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Notices of these meetings are posted and all concerned are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Luke Heffernan
Peter Blakeman
Naia Florence
Doug Sweet
Alex McKinnon
Road Committee

REPORT FROM THE SUTTON WASTE AND RECYCLING FACILITY

Numerous repairs were necessary for the incinerator installation in 1992, but like anything mechanical, wear and breakdowns have to be expected. At present, the installation is in good repair and operating well. It should remain so as long as the public cooperates in separating metals, oil filters and glass from their household waste. Such items not only damage the incinerator refractory, but pollute the ash and atmosphere. If violations do continue, everyone will be required to wait while their garbage bags are inspected.

Due to the sluggish economy, revenues were down in 1992, but recycling is still extremely important when computing cost avoidance. We are now recycling household batteries and oil filters, both of which are required by the EPA to be removed from the general waste stream. There are specifically marked barrels at the facility for your use in disposing of such waste.

Many residents have inquired as to when we will recycle plastics. We hope to do so in the future, but at present it is not financially feasible. The market is fickle and inconsistent. Additionally, such recycling requires considerable enclosed space, which we do not have, and equally, considerable monies, which we certainly do not have, for processing equipment. Such recycling will have to be deferred until the market and economic factors are more favorable.

It is interesting to note that in 1992 we recycled over 100 tons of material and incinerated over 600 tons of household waste. Had all of this material been disposed of by means of a transfer station, the cost to the Town would have been in excess of \$65,000 in tipping fees alone, plus the costs of transfer and normal facility expenses. There is no question that our methods of disposal are the most economical and ecological.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward J. Butler
Supervisor
Sutton Waste and Recycling Facility

REPORT OF THE SOLID WASTE STUDY COMMITTEE

The original Solid Waste Committee's appointments terminated on October 15, 1992 and the undersigned new Committee members appointed on that date.

Other than keeping a watchful eye on governmental regulations and rule changes pertaining to the handling of waste, tests on groundwater and incinerator ash, there are no pressing matters to be resolved at this time. The Committee will, however, remain intact in the event that areas of concern do develop.

In December 1992, the incinerator ash was laboratory tested for toxic metals. The results proved the ash to be relatively far below state limitations and insignificant as pertains to pollution. Equally satisfactory have been groundwater tests in the past which indicated no impact on the water quality.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward J. Butler
Robert L. Nelson
Norman F. Forand
Reva E. Bailey
Solid Waste Study Committee

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

The major task of the Town Health Officer is enforcing the public health laws and rules. The majority of the investigations are evoked by concerned citizens. Examples of 1992 investigations include: overloaded dumpsters, septic system failure, well water pollution, animal bites, a furnace gas leak and monitoring the drinking water at the Town Hall. The individuals involved in all of the investigations have been extremely cooperative.

The advice of Robert Bristol still lingers in my mind: "use common sense, talk it over, think it over and get the job done." With this in mind, I do enforce the public health laws and rules.

I want to call to the attention of the citizenry a new State Law. **As of January 1, 1993, "all cat and dog owners must get their pets immunized against rabies."**

The Department of Health has reported a "deadly mid-Atlantic rabies strain in New Hampshire." Rabies prevention includes: having pets immunized, staying away from wildlife (i.e. raccoons, woodchucks, fox, skunks, bats, squirrels, chipmunks), report any animal that is showing unusual behavior, and educate children. A complete list of preventive measures is located on the bulletin board in the Town Hall.

Rabies can be deadly. In most cases, it can be prevented. In humans, symptoms can appear from ten days to two years after being exposed to the virus. If you suspect exposure to an infected animal, wash the exposed body part with soap and water, and seek medical attention. Remember, once a human has the symptoms, it is too late for the vaccine to work. Treatment can be costly and painful.

Since April 1992, I have been the Town Health Officer. I have enjoyed working with the residents and Town and State officials. As a former professional health educator, I bring to this position a knowledge of health issues and a sincere interest in promoting the health of our community.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara J. MacDonald
Health Officer

LAKE SUNAPEE REGION VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION
1992 Report of Services Provided in Sutton

Home Care Visits

Skilled Nursing	497
Physical Therapy	222
Occupational Therapy	157
Medical Social Work	5
Home Health Aide	1,224

Hospice Visits

Hospice Volunteer	4
Chaplain	3

Adult Clinics

Flu Shots	40
Foot Care	1
TB Screening	1
Hepatitis B Vaccine	1

Well Child Clinic

Physical Exams	16
Immunizations	20
Anemia Screening	4
Lead Screening	2
Dental Education	5
Developmental Test	3
Safety	6
Hearing/Vision Test	7
Parent/Child Program	6

As a locally based non-profit organization, we try to support all of our communities by employing qualified local people and by purchasing goods and services from local vendors. We are pleased to report that out of the 183 people we have employed this year, 153 or 84% live in towns from which we receive appropriations. In your town, five people do or have worked for us.

Thank you for your continued support of our agency and its services. Your town representative on the Board of Trustees is June Kunar.

Cheryl Blik
President and CEO

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM
BELKNAP-MERRIMACK COUNTIES, INC.

November 12, 1992

Over the past fourteen years, the Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program has been the focal point of social service delivery in this area, providing help when needed to the income eligible and elderly, as well as to the community at large.

As perhaps you are aware, Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. generates funds through the mobilization of available federal, state and local monies. Support for the local Area Center is derived from a combination of federal appropriations and local tax dollars. This combination allows the Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program to provide a variety of services to the residents of your community, from the development of programs which meet local needs, to outreach, referral and direct assistance.

The budget reflects the minimum costs of maintaining and continuing the operations of the Kearsarge Valley Area Center. I respectfully submit that an item be placed in the Town Budget in the amount of \$2,576 for the continuation of services to the residents of the Town of Sutton.

This figure is based on the operating costs of the Area Center, as well as on last year's local community participation level and the services provided to Sutton in the amount of \$29,966.12. The total dollar amount needed from the local towns to maintain and operate the Area Center is \$30,435.

The staff of the Kearsarge Valley Area Center wishes to thank the Town of Sutton for your support in the past. With your continued interest, we will be able to continue to provide needed services to the members of your community.

Barbara Chellis, Area Director
Kearsarge Valley Area Center

**1992 SUMMARY OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO SUTTON RESIDENTS
BY THE COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM**

Service	Units	Served	Value
Supplemental Food Program	17 Packages	4 Persons	\$ 765.00
Congregate Meals (for senior citizens)	57 Meals	3 Persons	307.80
Emergency Food Pantries	310 Meals	31 Persons	930.00
Fuel Assistance	18 Applications	18 Households	7,393.61
Meals-on-Wheels (for homebound residents)	721 Meals	4 Persons	3,958.29
Pregnant Women, Children under 5 (food supplements)	29 Vouchers	6 Persons	1,116.50
USDA Commodity Foods (federal surplus foods)	16 Households	48 Persons	491.43
Head Start	2 Households	2 Children	7,484.00
Rural Transportation	257 Rides	6 Persons	917.49
Senior Community Service (employment training)	1,025 Hours	1 Person	4,335.00
Weatherization (energy efficiency)	1 Home	3 Persons	2,267.00
Seeds Program (sponsored, no charge)	3 Households	10 Persons	00.00
GRAND TOTAL OF SERVICES			\$ 29,966.12

GENERAL ASSISTANCE REPORT

This year our welfare budget was sorely taxed. This was due largely to unemployment and the grim economic climate throughout the state. We hope the economy will be kinder to all this coming year.

The good news is that the State has released new Municipal Guidelines to be used by the towns as a model in adapting town guidelines. I have spent a great deal of time projecting realistic parameters to be used in ascertaining the amounts of assistance to be dispensed. It is time consuming and involves a lot of legwork and telephone calls, but I feel it will aid in maintaining an efficiently run department and one that is geared to fairness both for the client and taxpayer.

It is my endeavor to maintain an open office. By that I mean I wish the townfolks to have a clear understanding of how welfare is administered. The requirements the client must meet are clear and concise. While identities are shielded, questions are welcomed by all. We are neighbors.

Better times is a hope I hold for all of us who live in this lovely town. And for those of you who need assistance, please believe that mercy has a human face and compassion, a human heart.

Courtney Haase
Overseer of Welfare



COURTNEY HAASE, SUTTON DEPUTY TOWN CLERK, DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR and OVERSEER OF WELFARE

REPORT OF THE OLD STORE MUSEUM COMMITTEE - 1992

1992 was a quiet year for the Old Store Museum. We opened in June for the Inns Tour. The dry summer turned out to be a good one for our dampness problem, but unfortunately, the damp fall confirmed our fear that it was the weather and not all of our efforts that was the basis of any improvement in the area. We are open to advice and suggestions on how to combat the problem.

We celebrated Old Home Day with a special exhibit in the "Blue House" next door. We anticipate being able to make more of our space by moving some of our exhibits next door, thus retaining more of the feeling of an "old store" at the Old Store Museum!

We were very pleased to be included in the database project of the New Hampshire Historical Society, "New Hampshire Collections, a Guide to Our Cultural Heritage." We are listed in numerous areas and hopefully this will alert interested people to all we have to offer, which is a great deal. To all of those in town who have been meaning to pay us a visit, please do. You have a great asset, so take advantage of it!

Respectfully submitted,
Ann W. Lord
for the Old Store Museum Committee

REPORT OF THE SUTTON FREE LIBRARY

The Sutton Free Library has had another year filled with activities for the residents of Sutton. "The Purr-fect Time to Read" was the theme of our ever-popular summer reading program. The six-week program revolved around cats of all shapes and sizes. This year the Trustees dared the participants to read more than 600 books with the prize being a pizza and ice cream party. The 40 children who participated overwhelmed us by reading in excess of 900 books! Kathy Lowe-Bloch came to the party and entertained children and parents alike with a sing-along.

This year, because of the construction going on at the Sutton Elementary School, our library saw an increase in use by the pupils who were unable at times to use the school library.

Again, with the generous help of the New Hampshire Humanities Council, the library sponsored a three-week lecture series using a guest speaker and works of poetry and fiction. The theme for this year's series was "The Quest for the American Dream."

The use of the Grace P. Nelson Room continues to grow. If your group or committee wishes to reserve the room, please do so in advance with the Librarian. We will always try to accommodate you.

New books, audio books and periodicals for both adults and children continue to be acquired on a regular basis. Please come in and browse. You will be surprised by what is going on inside. We always welcome your comments and suggestions. The Library Trustees meet on the first Tuesday of the month and the public is welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth B. Anderson
Elizabeth Bennett
Jill Chadwick
Marsha Harrison
Henry Nichols
Niki Tautkus
The Sutton Free Library
Board of Trustees

REPORT OF THE SUTTON COOPERATIVE KINDERGARTEN

In 1975, the Sutton Cooperative Kindergarten was formed by a group of people who saw a need for low-cost, quality kindergarten services in our community. The school is licensed for 20 children, ages four and five, in accordance with state law and staffed by a certified teacher and teacher's assistant. The State of New Hampshire, Bureau of Child Care Standards and Licensing is responsible for licensure of private kindergartens such as ours. The Department of Education only recognizes public kindergarten centers and this is why our center falls under the child day care standards within the kindergarten regulations.

The 1991-92 school year found the school at near full capacity with 11 kindergarteners graduating and eight preschoolers enrolled who presumably would continue to kindergarten. As the summer progressed, the school was faced with financial difficulties and a decreased enrollment. At that time the decision was made to delay the opening date until the structure of the Cooperative could be revised and a Board of Directors established. A group of townspeople who still felt the need was there to offer quality, affordable kindergarten services met to establish a new program. A Hiring Committee was established to interview interested applicants and a certified teacher was hired. A Fund-Raising Committee was also established to raise money in order to open in January. The school still maintains a cooperative approach so that tuition can be affordable. The parents are responsible for monthly Parents Advisory Group meetings, fund-raising, school cleaning, and election of officers to represent the group's interest to the Board of Directors. The goal of the parents is to raise \$3,000 in addition to the \$2,500 that the Town of Sutton previously donated to the School.

The Town of Sutton's role historically has been to allow the Cooperative use of the basement in the Town Hall and to assist financially by contributing \$2,500 annually to assist with the financing of the Kindergarten program. This year has opened up many questions that the Town needs to answer. Do you as a registered voter/taxpayer feel the need for an affordable "town kindergarten?" Keeping in mind that the Kearsarge District does not provide public kindergarten and that Sutton's kindergarten is nearly half the price for-profit kindergartens with a comparable fee structure as similar programs within the district. How important is it to you that our children obtain an early childhood education in the same town where he/she resides and will be attending elementary school? We feel every child deserves the opportunity to attend an early childhood education program!

Our children learned a great deal about our Town through such field trips as Fire Safety Day at the Sutton Fire Station, recycling at the Recycling Center, and bimonthly trips to the Library, which enhanced responsibility for property. They have shared their music and theatrical skills with the residents at the Foxchase Retirement Home and, when possible, have participated in fund-raising events. The children that attend the Cooperative are the future of this Town. With your support we can make their first schooling experience a positive one. Your valuable tax dollars and the fact that you vote to allow the school use of the basement of the Town Hall are greatly appreciated. The school is pleased to be able to offer an affordable, quality kindergarten program to any Sutton child who wishes to attend.

If you wish to find out more about the Cooperative or can offer help in any way, please contact the Sutton Cooperative Kindergarten and Preschool at 927-4150 or 927-4321.

Wendy Grimes
Board of Directors

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR 1992

During the year we were engaged in a variety of projects. One new member was appointed to the Commission to fill a vacancy for a two-year term, two members were reappointed for three-year terms, and we have a new member from the Board of Selectmen. Monthly meetings were held at the Pillsbury Town Hall on the third Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited.

Commission activities during 1992 included the following:

- Monitor dredge and fill permit applications
- Sales of Sutton trail maps
- Forest management work at the Town Forest Tree Farm
- Coordinate roadside clean-up project
- Investigate a possible conservation easement

- Investigate water level problem at Kezar Lake and Smiley Grove Park
- Walk-through of Mildred T. Lefferts Town Natural Area
- Walk-through of Redington Dam property
- Preliminary work to develop a Commission policy regarding conservation easements
- Landscape planning for trees along boundary of Highway Dept. storage area

The Town of Sutton Conservation Commission owns three properties that have been donated by responsible residents with the intent that they will be managed for conservation purposes. This includes: (1) the Wadleigh Plain Section of the Sutton Town Forest designated in 1991 as a New Hampshire Tree Farm, a 75-acre tract, between Wadleigh Hill Road and the Lane River, extending some 1.1 miles along Wadleigh Hill Road from the outflow of Kezar Lake to beyond the bridge over the Lane River, and marked by a sign, The Sutton Tree Farm; (2) the Mildred T. Lefferts Town Natural Area, a 5.2-acre tract, located along Keyser Street with approximately 400 ft. frontage, and including the shoreline of Kezar Lake, and marked by a sign, the Mildred T. Lefferts Town Natural Area; and (3) the Redington Dam property, a 0.5-acre tract between North Road and Stevens Brook, located approximately 1/4 mile north of the intersection of North Road and East Sutton Road and extending approximately 760 ft. along North Road and Stevens Brook.

During 1992, the primary forest management work of the Commission related to the Wadleigh Plain Section of the Sutton Town Forest. This Section has four natural or developed areas: (1) a fresh-water wetland primarily along the Lane River, (2) a mixed forest of hardwoods, pines and hemlock, (3) an area along Wadleigh Hill Road of white and a few red pine, trimmed during the 1990-91 winter, and (4) an area of white pine planted about 20 years ago. The beneficial uses of the Wadleigh Plain Section are judged to be: recreation, wildlife habitat, and limited tree harvesting. On two occasions during the year, members of the Commission walked through this property with a forester to assess its condition and to develop information for recommended management action. Students from the Middle School participated with a Commission member in pruning trees from the ground. In addition, a preliminary layout and flagging of a trail was accomplished through the mixed forest, starting and ending on Wadleigh Hill Road. Consideration is being given to a limited tree harvest during the 1992-93 winter when the ground is frozen.

Respectfully submitted,
Eugene J. Aubert, Chairman
David Anderson
Kathy Kirk Brown
Neil Chadwick
Stanley L. LeBrun
George G. Wells
Charles F. Whittemore

CORNERSTONES COMMITTEE REPORT

In 1992, the Cornerstones Committee has been conducting in-depth research and working on the history of the 21 Community Cornerstone sites in the Town. Much time has been put into finding material for this documentation. The Committee met several times to give progress reports and to discuss other goals to pursue.

One of our goals was to protect “scenic high places” from unsightly towers and other tall structures. In this Town Report there is a warrant calling for an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to prevent structures above the 1200-foot elevation. The Cornerstones Committee supports this amendment. Additions to the Master Plan are also being worked on to focus on preservation of the 21 Community Cornerstones.

We are still interested in borrowing old photographs to reproduce for the historical background of the Community Cornerstones. If anyone is interested in becoming part of this Committee or helping us in any way, we would appreciate your contacting us.

Robert S. Bristol, Co-Chairman
Charles F. Whittemore, Co-Chairman
Margaret Forbes
Marjorie R. Knight
Steven I. Lord
Ann A. Paulsen
George G. Wells
Daniel A. Sundquist, Ex-officio

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

In 1992, the Cemetery Commission utilized the crew of R.S. Palmer & Sons. A fence on the west side of the Sutton Mills Cemetery was installed. Brush was cleared at North Sutton Cemetery and the other three cemeteries were cleaned up.

In 1993, the Cemetery Commission will be spreading loam in Millswood Cemetery to cover up a lot of sand and fill in low spots. We hope to put up new gates in the old South Sutton Cemetery. In the spring of 1993, we will be meeting with a firm to see about putting epoxy rods to repair a lot of stones that are broken or vandalized.

The Commission wants to thank the maintenance crew and also the Town for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
Darrel Palmer
Pete Thompson
Herman Foster
Cemetery Commission

TOWN MEETING

March 11, 1992

The Moderator, Robert E. Bowers, Jr., called the meeting to order at seven o'clock in the afternoon. The rules of order were explained. Results of the election held March 10, 1992 were read and those officers present were sworn into office. Mr. Bowers explained that although the officers were sworn, they would not be able to take office for three days.

Selectman John Biewener presented retiring Road Agent George Hosmer, Jr. with a plaque.

The following presentation was made to retiring Selectman Roy Prince:

WHEREAS Roy W. Prince has given generously of his experience, knowledge and time in the office of Selectman for the Town of Sutton, New Hampshire for 15 years from 1977 to 1992 and

WHEREAS Roy W. Prince has served during this same time on the Conservation Commission for 12 years, and

WHEREAS Roy W. Prince has acted on the Zoning Board of Adjustment for eight years and on the Planning Board for seven years, and

WHEREAS Roy W. Prince has been the Selectmen's representative at countless meetings in Concord, in particular the Central New Hampshire Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS Roy W. Prince has been a concerned and caring civil servant, always ready to listen and to brighten the day with humor,

BE IT RESOLVED that the appreciative citizens and officials of the Town of Sutton, take this Town Meeting occasion to honor and thank Roy W. Prince for his many years of consistent and dedicated service to this Town and its well being.

The Moderator read Article 1:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$814,986.00 for general town operations:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 30,900.00
Town Officers' Expenses	75,800.00
Election and Registration	2,430.00
Cemeteries	7,500.00
Town Hall	6,240.00
Budget Committee	450.00
Planning Board	3,000.00
Legal	6,000.00
Regional Planning Association	1,168.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	1,600.00
Audit	4,000.00
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	\$ 139,088.00

Public Safety:

Police Department	\$ 54,546.00
Fire Department	14,750.00
Building Inspector	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$ 70,296.00

Sanitation and Health:

Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 51,650.00
Health Department	100.00
New London Hospital	2,000.00
New London Ambulance	4,000.00
Bradford Rescue Squad	800.00
Sutton Rescue Squad	650.00
Lake Sunapee Home Health Care	<u>4,415.00</u>
	\$ 63,615.00

Highways, Bridges, Street Lighting:

Town Maintenance	\$ 231,340.00
General Expenses, Highway Department	7,800.00
Street Lighting	<u>6,000.00</u>
	\$ 245,140.00

Welfare:

General Assistance	\$ 8,000.00
Community Action Program	2,454.00
Sutton Cooperative Day Care Center	<u>2,500.00</u>
	\$ 12,954.00

Culture and Recreation:

Library	\$ 6,765.00
South Sutton Common	300.00
Patriotic Purposes	400.00
Conservation Commission	251.00
Old Store Museum	1,100.00
Churches, a/c Nelson Fund	<u>263.00</u>
	\$ 9,079.00

Debt Service:

Interest, Tax Anticipation	\$ 56,115.00
Interest, Truck Note	1,216.00
Interest, Road Bond	<u>20,250.00</u>
	\$ 77,581.00

Debt Retirement:

Principal, Truck Note	\$ 18,500.00
Principal, Road Bond	<u>100,000.00</u>
	\$ 118,500.00

Miscellaneous:

FICA (Town's Contribution)	\$ 17,000.00
Insurance	54,483.00
Unemployment Compensation	1,100.00
Retirement Plans	<u>6,150.00</u>
	\$ 78,733.00

Total Appropriations, Article 1 \$ 814,986.00

William Curless moved to dispense with the reading of Article 1, seconded by George Wells. Mr. Curless moved to accept Article 1 as printed in the Annual Report, seconded by Herbert Fischer. Herbert Fischer moved to amend Article 1 as follows: To reduce the amount appropriated to the Sutton Co-op Preschool to \$0.00. David Stotler seconded the motion. The vote on the amendment failed by voice vote.

Herbert Fischer moved to amend Article 1 as follows: To reduce the amount appropriated to New London Hospital to \$0.00. There was no second.

A voice vote was taken on Article 1. The Moderator declared Article 1 as printed in the Annual Report carried.

The Moderator read Article 2:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds, already established, as follows:

Cemeteries	\$ 1,000.00
Repair/Replacement of Incinerator and other Improvements at the Solid Waste Disposal Facility (3/10/82 Article #12)	<u>10,000.00</u>
	\$ 11,000.00

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 2 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 2 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 3:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-I for the purpose of a Police Cruiser, and to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) to be placed in this fund.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 3 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 3 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,350.00 for the purchase of a new Ford dump truck with equipment of plow frame and plow, 10 ' dump body, and stainless steel sander for the Highway Department; and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$40,000.00 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act

(RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. And to authorize the Selectmen to sell the present truck (1983 F800 Ford) by public auction, sealed bids or by trading in.

(2/3 vote required by paper ballot by those present and voting at the Annual Meeting.)

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 4 as read, seconded by William Curless. The ballot box was held open for one hour. The Moderator declared Article 4 carried. The paper ballot vote was 139 yes votes, 21 no votes.

The Moderator read Article 5:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,680.00 for paving with a one-inch finish course of hot-mix asphalt concrete, the Kearsarge Valley Road (so-called), southerly from the Wilmot Town line to the vicinity of the brick house, a distance of approximately 4,950 feet.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 5 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 5 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000.00 for the application of crushed gravel on approximately three (3) miles of certain gravel roads.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 6 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 6 was carried by voice vote.



DENNIS STEVENS WITH SUTTON'S NEW HIGHWAY TRUCK

The Moderator read Article 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000.00 for the completion of the Revaluation of the Town.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 7 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 7 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for repairs to the roof of the Pillsbury Memorial Hall.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 8 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 8 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 for the construction of thirty-three (33) additional street signs.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 9 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 9 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to defray the costs of permits and tests as required by the "Solid Waste Rules" issued by the N.H. Department of Environmental Services.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 10 as read, seconded by William Curless.

Patrick Doherty moved to table Article 10, seconded by George Edmunds. By voice vote, the Moderator declared the tabling of Article 10 defeated. Russell King moved to amend Article 10 as follows: to remove the period (.) and replace it with "as expenditures are required." This motion was seconded by Marge Knight. Discussion followed. There was a call for the question, seconded and carried by voice vote. The vote to amend Article 10 was defeated by voice vote. The Moderator declared Article 10 carried by voice vote.

There was a break in the meeting to make the following presentation to retiring Selectman Robert S. Bristol

WHEREAS Robert Stannard Bristol has served the Town of Sutton unstintedly and dutifully for 41 years in the office of Selectman, and

WHEREAS Robert S. Bristol over these years has served diligently as Town Moderator, as a member of the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Adjustment, the Conservation Commission, and the Road Committee, and

WHEREAS Robert S. Bristol has performed the duties of School Moderator, School Treasurer, Library Trustee, Secretary of the Fire Department, Deputy Fire Warden, and Town Auditor, and

WHEREAS Robert S. Bristol has been an indefatigable perambulator of Sutton town lines long after others would have given up the task, and

WHEREAS Robert S. Bristol wrote the first narrative Town Report in the State of New Hampshire, producing an exemplary example for others to



Presentations during the 1992 Town Meeting included: (top left) John F. Biewener presenting recognition plaque to retiring Selectman Roy Prince; recognition plaque to departing Road Agent George Hosmer Jr.; and assisted by Roy Prince, a portrait to retiring Selectman Bob Bristol, who recounted some highlights from his 41 years in office.



follow, and honoring this Town by consistently receiving first place awards for his creativity and documentation of history, and

WHEREAS Robert S. Bristol has been the keeper of Sutton's history through his participation in the Sutton Bicentennial Committee, and the Federal Bicentennial Committee; the reprinting of the *History of Sutton*; and by his care and attention to the preservation of Pillsbury Memorial Hall, its historical artifacts, and Town records, and

WHEREAS Robert S. Bristol has brought honor to this Town by his preservation of Harvey Homestead and the creation of the Muster Field Farm Museum, and

WHEREAS Robert S. Bristol has guided this Town with a sometimes gruff but always caring hand, and whereas the walls of the Town Hall will forever reverberate with the sound of his voice,

BE IT RESOLVED that the citizens of the Town of Sutton express to you, Bob, our heartfelt appreciation for your untiring devotion to the Town and your loving attention to its history.

Moderator Robert Bowers asked Greg Gill to step in as Moderator for Article 11.

Acting Moderator Greg Gill read Article 11:

To see if the Town will vote to release and quitclaim to the South Sutton Community Meetinghouse Association whatever right, title and interest it may have in the South Sutton church and land.

George Wells moved to accept Article 11 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 11 was carried by voice vote.

Robert Bowers returned as Moderator.

The Moderator recognized Robin Geoffrion, KRSD Department of Transportation, who made a presentation to retiring Road Agent George Hosmer, Jr. on behalf of the School District.

The Moderator read Article 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,400.00 for the reconstruction of Blaisdell Farm Road, being Town Road #70, between Blaisdell Road (#68) and Kemah Road (#69), to make it safe for winter travel and to permit proper operation of snow removal equipment; and to see if the Town will vote to open, maintain and repair said road (which now is maintained only in summer) during the entire year, pursuant to RSA Chapter 231:81, Section II (b) which requires a majority vote of the Town.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 12 as read, seconded by William Curless. Joan Shaughnessey moved to table Article 12, seconded by Warren Beltrimini. The vote on the motion to table Article 12 was defeated by voice vote.

Lorna Geggis moved to amend Article 12 as follows: to replace the words "\$45,400.00 for the reconstruction" and replace them with "\$1,000.00 for the plowing and sanding," and to remove the phrase "to make it safe for

winter travel and to permit proper operation of snow removal equipment.” This amendment was seconded by Joan Shaughnessey. The Moderator declared the voice vote on the amendment too close to call. The amendment of Article 12 was carried by a show of hands: 68 yes votes, 67 no votes.

Eugene Aubert moved to make the following amendment to Article 12: to strike the remainder of Article 12 beginning with the words “and to see if the Town will vote to open, . . . which requires a majority vote of the Town.” This amendment was seconded by John O’Connor. William Hallahan moved to table this amendment, seconded by Douglas Knight. The motion to table the amendment failed by voice vote. By voice vote, Mr. Aubert’s amendment carried.

Beryl Beltrimini made a motion to amend Article 12 as follows: to add the words “for the period of one year” to the end of the Article. This motion was seconded by Joan Bridges. Mrs. Beltrimini’s amendment was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator conducted the vote on Article 12 as amended, which now reads: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the plowing and sanding of Blaisdell Farm Road, being Town Road #70, between Blaisdell Road (#68) and Kemah Road (#69) for the period of one year. The voice vote on Article 12 as amended was too close to call. The Moderator declared Article 12 as amended carried by a show of hands: 93 yes votes, 41 no votes.

The Moderator read Article 13:

To see if the Town will adopt the provision of Chapter 41:9a I-V

- I A town may by majority vote at any annual or special meeting, authorize the board of selectmen to establish or amend fees, as provided in this section. Such a vote shall continue in effect until rescinded.
- II Following such a vote, the board of selectmen, without further vote of the town, may establish or amend fees or charges for the following purposes:
 - (a) The issuance of any license or permit which is part of a regulatory program which has been established by vote of the town.
 - (b) The use or occupancy of any public revenue-producing facility, as defined in RSA 33-B:1, VI the establishment of which has been authorized by vote of the town.
- III Such fees or charges shall not exceed, in the case of licenses or permits, an amount reasonably calculated to cover the town’s regulatory, administrative and enforcement costs.
- IV Prior to the establishment or amendment of any such fees, the selectmen shall hold a public hearing, notice for which shall be given at least 7 days prior to the hearing by posting in 2 public places in the town and by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the town. The notice shall include the proposed schedule of fees.

- V This section shall not be deemed to prohibit a town from delegating authority over specific fees to another official or official body of the town. This section shall not supersede other provisions of law concerning the establishment or amount of specific types of fees.

George Wells moved to not read Article 13, seconded by Greg Gill. Greg Gill moved to accept Article 13 as printed in the Annual Report, seconded by William Curless. Discussion followed. By voice vote, the Moderator declared Article 13 failed. A show of hands was called for and taken: 81 no votes, 40 yes votes.

The Moderator read Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following provisions in addition to the Cemetery Ordinance adopted March 8, 1966, and amended March 10, 1981:

- E. The practise of making burials, "double deep" or one above another in one grave site is prohibited in Town cemeteries.
- F. Approval by a majority of the Cemetery Commissioners, or an agent designed by them, is required prior to the installation of any head stone, foot stone, corner stones, or any other type of marker.
- G. Approval by a majority of the Cemetery Commissioners, or an agent designated by them, is required prior to the setting out of any shrubs, or perennial plants in any grave lot or in any location in any Town of Sutton cemetery.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 14 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 14 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend federal and state grants which may become available during the course of the year, in accordance with RSA 31:95-b and also to accept and expend money from any other governmental unit or private source to be used for purposes which the Town may legally appropriate money.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 15 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 15 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 16 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 16 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to accept any of the moneys received during the year since the last Annual Meeting for the establishment of Trust Funds.

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 17 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 17 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 18:

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, in accordance with RSA 231:43, a portion of the old North Road, Highway Inventory #116 a distance of five hundred (500) feet, northwesterly from near Station 1679 South Bound, Federal Project I-89-1(62)27, or the right-of-way line of I-89

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 18 as read, seconded by William Curless. Article 18 was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 19:

To see if the Town would appropriate the funds needed to improve Rowell Hill Road from the New London Town line to lot number 9-986-428 (tax map).

This would include engineering studies (drainage, shoulders, ditches) and the resurfacing of the road with blue stone or other appropriate surface (distance less than .4 of a mile).

This road services 36 homes, 71 lots, and a population of approximately 90 people. There is no access from the Town of Sutton into this development. The two roads in and out are; Old (sic) Britton (sic) Road and Rowell Hill Road. Both roads go through New London.

RSA's of the state of New Hampshire clearly indicates that taxpayers are liable for losses incurred due to improper construction or upkeep on town roads. Rowell Hill Road is a Class V road which puts our town into a liability situation should a serious accident occur.

On several occasions, school buses, police vehicles, and home owners have been unable to safely use this portion of the road.

All of the above is part of this "Warrant Article" and therefore, needs to be published as such.

(By Petition of Kerin Louis Shaughnessey, and 28 others.)

Joan Shaughnessey moved to accept Article 19 as read, seconded by James Bridges.

George Wells, Budget Committee member, expressed concern that there was no dollar value contained in the Article and that the Article had not come before the Budget Committee.

Joan Shaughnessey moved to amend Article 19 as follows: to remove the words "funds needed" and replace them with "sum of \$15,000.00." The amendment was seconded by James Bridges.

Charles Forsberg moved to table the amendment, seconded by Eugene Aubert. The motion to table the amendment was defeated by voice vote. More discussion followed. The question was called for, seconded and carried. The motion to amend Article 19 was defeated by voice vote.

Eugene Aubert moved to amend Article 19 as follows: to strike out the beginning of the first sentence up to and including the word improve and in-

sert the following: “To see if the Town will vote to recommend that the Sutton Road Committee early in 1992 examine” and to add to the end of that sentence the words “and to the extent this Class V road is found to be inadequate and of sufficient priority, develop plans for improvement, and recommend early implementation of said plans.” And omit the remainder of the Article. Patrick Doherty seconded this amendment. Discussion followed. There was a call for the question. It was seconded and carried by voice vote. The motion to amend Article 19, as per Mr. Aubert, was carried by voice vote.

The Moderator conducted the vote on Article 19 as amended, which now reads: To see if the Town will vote to recommend that the Sutton Road Committee early in 1992 examine Rowell Hill Road from the New London Town line to lot number 9-986-428 (tax map), and to the extent this Class V road is found to be inadequate and of sufficient priority, develop plans for improvement, and recommend early implementation of said plans. By voice vote, Article 19 as amended was carried.

Patrick Doherty moved to reconsider Article 6, seconded by Lorna Geggis. The motion to reconsider was defeated by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 20:

To see if the Town will vote to maintain Penny Ante Alley as a Class V road, as it is currently classified with the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Planning, and as the Town of Sutton is receiving Block Grant Aid based on a description of Penny Ante Alley as a 900 ± foot Class V road. The road was taken by the Town of Sutton by deed and said deed is filed with the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds. It was first laid out in 1947, and as per the 1957 Town of Sutton Annual Report, improved for the year round use in 1958.

(Submitted by Patricia A. Lomans and Dennis Eunson, Landowners.)

(Petition signed by Kerin L. Shaughnessey, and 27 others.)

Lorna Geggis moved to accept Article 20 as read, seconded by Patrick Doherty. Lorna Geggis moved to allow Patricia Lomans to speak before the Town Meeting. Ms. Lomans is not a registered voter in the Town. The motion was seconded by Patrick Doherty. The motion to allow Ms. Lomans to speak was carried by voice vote. Ms. Lomans addressed the meeting. Discussion followed. The question was called for, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Moderator declared Article 20 defeated by voice vote.

Charles Forsberg moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by George Edmunds. The motion to adjourn was defeated by voice vote.

A request for a show of hands vote on Article 20 was made. The vote by show of hands on Article 20 was 27 yes votes, 68 no votes. Article 20 was defeated.

The Moderator read Article 21:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 and authorize its expenditure by the Bradford/Newbury Youth Sports

Organization. Said expenditure to assist in defraying the cost of the Bradford Elementary School Soccer and Baseball field and the Brown/Shattuck Athletic Field. Said funds will also be used to defray the cost of insurance, baseball and soccer equipment and uniforms.

(By Petition of Marie Holbrook, and 32 others.)

Lorna Geggis moved to accept Article 21 as read, seconded by Patrick Doherty. It was moved, seconded and carried to allow Carl Olson to speak before the Town Meeting. Mr. Olson is not a registered voter of the Town. Discussion followed. The voice vote on Article 21 was too close to call. A show of hands was taken on Article 21: 47 yes votes, 39 no votes. The Moderator declared Article 21 carried.

George Edmunds moved to adjourn, seconded by Christine Sweet. The motion to adjourn failed by voice vote.

The Moderator read Article 22:

To see if the voters of the Town of Sutton will vote to recommend that the Kearsarge Regional School Board and the Kearsarge Municipal Budget Committee limit the total assessment to the town of the district for the 1992-93 school year to ninety-five percent (95%) of the 1991-92 assessment.

(By Petition of Mugette Saxby, and 45 others.)

James Bridges moved to accept Article 22 as read, seconded by Douglas Knight. Discussion followed. The voice vote on Article 22 was too close to call. A show of hands was taken: 49 yes votes, 34 no votes. The Moderator declared Article 22 carried.

The Moderator read Article 23:

To see if the voters of the Town of Sutton will vote to record its opposition to the imposition of a broadbased income tax or sales tax by the State of New Hampshire, and call upon its elected representatives and senator to support the town's position in the State Legislature.

(By Petition of Marybeth Angeli, and 42 others.)

Joan Shaughnessey moved to accept Article 23 as read, seconded by Greg Gill. George Wells moved to table Article 23, seconded by Robert Wright. The motion to table Article 23 was carried by a show of hands: 44 yes votes, 22 no votes.

The Moderator read Article 24:

To see if the voters of the Town of Sutton will vote to support publicly enactment by the State Legislature and/or an amendment to the New Hampshire State Constitution to permit or require voting on New Hampshire school budgets and other matters pertaining to schools by written ballot at normal local polling places including voting by absentee ballot, and call on its elected representatives and senator to support the town's position in the Legislature.

(By Petition of Frederick L. Pratt, and 51 others.)

Greg Gill moved to accept Article 24 as read, seconded by Robert Wright. Discussion followed. A voice vote on Article 24 was too close to call. A show of hands was taken on Article 24: 38 yes votes, 36 no votes. The Moderator declared Article 24 carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn the Annual Meeting at 12:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol P. Curless
Town Clerk



HOWARD FRIEL, SUTTON CUSTODIAN

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE
PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET LAW



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF SUTTON N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1993 to December 31, 1993 or for Fiscal Year

From _____ 19 ____ to _____ 19 ____

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

RSA 31:95 and 32:5

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink)

John J. Smith
George J. Smith
Richard A. King
Stewart
Charles W. Ash

Date 09 February 1993

William F. Colson

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION			1	2	3	4	5
Acct. No.	(RSA 31:4)	W.A. No.	*Actual Appropriations Prior Year (omit cents)	Actual Expenditures Prior Year (omit cents)	Selectmen's Budget Ensnung Fiscal Year (omit cents)	Budget Committee Recommended Ensnung Fiscal Year (omit cents)	Not Recommended (omit cents)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
4130	Executive	1	70,883	65,173	55,825	55,825	
4140	Elec., Reg., & Vital Stat.	1	2,430	2,758	1,522	1,522	
4150	Financial Administration	1	35,365	40,076	42,764	42,764	
4152	Revaluation of Property	1	19,875	66,967	7,000	7,000	
4153	Legal Expense	1	6,000	5,098	6,000	6,000	
4155	Personnel Administration	1	25,950	22,912	25,700	25,490	210
4191	Planning and Zoning	1	4,600	3,404	4,600	4,600	
4194	General Government Bldg.	1	6,240	6,990	17,690	17,690	
4195	Cemeteries	1	7,500	6,640	7,500	7,500	
4196	Insurance	1	55,580	56,322	49,078	49,078	
4197	Advertising and Reg. Assoc.	1	1,168	1,168	1,168	1,168	
	Town Hall Roof	16	7,500	7,460	3,750	3,750	
	Town Hall Ramp	17			2,000	2,000	
4199	Other General Government						
PUBLIC SAFETY							
4210	Police	1	54,546	55,751	56,500	58,568	
4215	Ambulance	1	5,450	5,450	3,500	3,500	
4220	Fire	1	14,500	13,926	14,500	14,500	
4240	Building Inspection	1	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
4290	Emergency Management	1			200	200	
4225	Forest Fires	1	250	297	1,000	500	500
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS							
4312	Highways and Streets	1	236,370	228,489	248,890	241,150	7,740
	Calcium Chloride	3			6,000	6,000	
4316	Street Lighting	1	6,000	5,736	6,000	6,000	
	Road Upgrade	4	43,680	43,680	45,000	39,000	6,000
	Hwy Gar Repairs/Testing	2,5,6			27,950	12,950	15,000
SANITATION							
4323	Solid Waste Collection						
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	1	51,650	56,449	53,585	51,827	1,758
4325	Sewage Collection & Disposal						
	Incinerator Repairs	23			10,000	5,000	5,000
	DES Testing & Permitting		5,000	0			
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT							
4332	Water Services						
4335	Water Treatment						
HEALTH							
4414	Pest Control						
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals	1	6,415	6,415	6,633	6,633	
4411	Health Administration	1	100	31	100	100	
	Kearsarge COA	26			700		700
WELFARE							
4442	Direct Assistance	1	8,000	10,984	9,500	9,500	
4444	Intergovernmental Welf. Pay'ts.						
4443	Welfare Administration	1	3,454	3,107	3,576	3,576	
Sub-Totals (carry to top of page 3)							
			679,506	716,283	719,231	684,391	36,908

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (Continued)	W.A. No.	1	2	3	4		5
		* Actual Appropriations Prior Year (omit cents)	Actual Expenditures Prior Year (omit cents)	Selectmen's Budget Ensuing Fiscal Year (omit cents)	Budget Committee Recommended Ensuing Fiscal Year (omit cents)	Not Recommended (omit cents)	
Sub-Totals (from page 2)		679,506	716,283	719,231	684,391	36,908	
CULTURE AND RECREATION							
4520 Parks and Recreation	1	1,663	1,663	1,163	1,163		
4550 Library	1	6,765	6,580	8,409	8,409		
4583 Patriotic Purposes	1	400	400	425	425		
Coop Kindergarten	25	2,500	2,500	9,100	2,500	6,600	
CONSERVATION							
4612 Purchase of Natural Resources							
4611 Conservation Admin	1	251	251	350	350		
REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING							
Street signs		1,800	0				
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
Blaisdell Farm Road	28	1,000	0	700		700	
Brad/Newb Youth Sports	29	1,000	1,000	1,000		1,000	
FT Police Officer	27			11,000		11,000	
DEBT SERVICE							
4711 Princ.-Long Term Bonds & Notes	1	118,500	118,500	120,000	120,000		
4721 Int.-Long Term Bonds & Notes	1	21,466	21,466	15,600	15,600		
4723 Interest on TAN	1	56,115	51,527	70,000	70,000		
CAPITAL OUTLAY							
Fire Dept Tanker Truck	7			83,600		83,600	
Highway Truck		59,350	59,350				
Millswood Cemetery expan	18			2,500	2,500		
Fire Truck Cap Reserve	8			25,000	25,000		
OPERATING TRANSFERS							
4914 Cemeteries Cap Reserve		1,000	1,000				
Police Cruiser CR	19	3,000	3,000	4,000	4,000		
Incinerator Replacement CR	22	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000		
Highway Truck/Equip CR	20			10,000	10,000		
Grist Mill Bridge CR	21			5,000		5,000	
4916 To Trust and Agency Funds: (RSA 31:19-a)							
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		964,316	993,520	1,097,078	954,338	144,808	

* Enter in these columns the numbers which were revised and approved by DRA and which appear on the prior tax rate papers.

10% LIMITATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

(SEE RSA 32:8, 8-a, & 32:10-b)

Please disclose the following items (to be excluded from the 10% calculation)

\$ _____ Recommended Amount of Collective Bargaining Cost Items. \$ _____ Amount of Mandatory Water & Waste Treatment Facilities. (RSA 32:10-b).
(RSA 32:8-a).

RSA 273-A:1.IV "'Cost Item' means any benefit acquired through collective bargaining whose implementation requires an appropriation by the legislative body of the public employer with which negotiations are being conducted."

HELP! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriation which is made up of appropriations from more than one (1) warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total. We hope this will expedite the tax rate process by reducing the number of inquiries from this office.

Acct.	W.A.	Amt.	Acct.	W.A.	Amt.
Coop KG	1	2,500	hwy Gar	2	15,000
	25	6,600		5	2,950
				6	10,000

SOURCE OF REVENUE		1	2	3	4	
Acct. No.	TAXES	W.A. No	*Estimated Revenues Prior Year (omit cents)	Actual Revenues Prior Year (omit cents)	Selectmen's Budget Ensuing Fiscal Year (omit cents)	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year (omit cents)
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		5,000	0	4,000	4,000
3180	Resident Taxes					
3185	Yield Taxes		11,850	14,395	13,000	13,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		460	636	630	630
3190	Int. & Pen. on Delinquent Taxes		40,000	75,311	50,000	50,000
	Inventory Penalties					
	LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits					
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		95,000	100,235	100,000	100,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		2,450	6,138	6,000	6,000
	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT					
	FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenue		12,363	37,163	35,000	35,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		65,125	65,125	74,093	74,093
3354	Water Pollution Grants					
3356	State & Fed. Forest Land Reimb.		25	40	40	40
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			2,761		
3359	Other					
	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT					
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues					
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401	Income from Departments		11,200	14,673	12,000	12,000
3409	Other Charges		2,500	0		
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		5,000	1,050	3,000	3,000
3502	Interest on Investments		35,000	14,624	15,000	15,000
3509	Other		12,474	23,657	25,000	25,000
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS FROM					
3914	Proprietary Funds					
	Sewer					
	Water					
	Electric					
3915	Capital Reserve Funds		38,500	42,663	14,200	2,500
3916	Trust and Agency Funds		6,363	6,363	863	863
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Notes & Bonds		40,000	40,000		
	Fund Balance:			109,698	50,000	50,000
	Items Voted From Surplus					
	Remainder of Surplus					
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			383,310	554,533	402,826	391,126

*Enter in this column the numbers which were revised and approved by DRA and which appear on the MS-4 form.

Total Appropriations 954,338.00

Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes 391,126.00

Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes) 563,212.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SUTTON, N.H.

BUDGET FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS
OF THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET LAW

TAXES ASSESSED FOR ALL PURPOSES

With Sources of Revenue to Balance

(These appropriations and estimated revenues are used to set the Tax Rate.)

APPROPRIATIONS - All Purposes

General Government:

4130 Executive	\$	70,883.00
4140 Election, Registration, Vital Statistics		2,430.00
4150 Financial Administration		35,365.00
4152 Revaluation of Property		3,875.00
4153 Legal Expenses		6,000.00
4155 Employee Benefits		25,950.00
4191 Planning Board		3,000.00
4192 Zoning Board		1,600.00
4194 General Government Buildings		6,240.00
4195 Cemeteries		7,500.00
4196 Insurance		55,580.00
4197 Regional Association		1,168.00

Public Safety:

4210 Police Department	\$	54,546.00
4215 Ambulance		5,450.00
4220 Fire Department		14,500.00
4225 Forest Fire		250.00
4230 Building Inspection		1,000.00

Highways and Streets:

4312 Highway Department	\$	236,370.00
4316 Street Lighting		6,000.00

Sanitation:

4234 Incinerator Facility	\$	51,650.00
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Health:

4411 Health Administration	\$	100.00
4415 New London Hospital		2,000.00
Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Assoc. ...		4,415.00

Welfare:

4442 Direct Assistance	\$	8,000.00
4443 Welfare Administration		1,000.00
Community Action Program		2,454.00

Culture and Recreation:

4520 Cooperative Kindergarten	\$	2,500.00
South Sutton Common		300.00
Churches		263.00
Old Store Museum		1,100.00
4550 Library		6,765.00
4583 Patriotic Purposes		400.00
4611 Conservation Administration		251.00

Debt Service:

4711 Principal, Long-Term Notes	\$ 118,500.00
4721 Interest, Long-Term Notes	21,466.00
4723 Interest, Tax Anticipation Notes	56,115.00

Capital Reserve:

4914 Police Cruiser	\$ 3,000.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00
Incinerator Replacement	10,000.00

Special Articles:

4 Highway Truck	\$ 59,350.00
5 Kearsarge Valley Road	22,680.00
6 Gravel	21,000.00
7 Revaluation	16,000.00
8 Town Hall Roof Repairs	7,500.00
9 Street Signs	1,800.00
10 DES Testing	5,000.00
12 Blaisdell Farm Road	1,000.00
21 Bradford/Newbury Youth Association	1,000.00

TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 964,316.00
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Taxes Assessed, Other Governmental Divisions:

County Tax	\$ 198,497.00
School District Tax	1,460,418.00
Plus Overlay	31,300.00
Plus War Service Credits	15,000.00

TOTAL MONIES NEEDED FOR ALL PURPOSES	\$ 2,669,531.00
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SOURCES OF REVENUE TO BALANCE

The money needed to provide the appropriations listed above for the Town, School District, and County services is provided by estimated revenues from the following sources, including the amount raised by taxes.

From Local Taxes:

Property Tax	\$ 2,192,354.00
Yield Tax	14,360.00
Land Use Change Tax	5,000.00
Interest On Taxes, Tax Sales	36,720.00
Power Profit Assessment	634.00

Intergovernmental Revenues - State:

Shared Revenue Block Grant	\$ 37,136.00
Highway Block Grant	65,126.00
State Forest Land	40.00

From Federal Government:

Refund from 941 Return	\$ 10.00
Federal Emergency Management	2,761.00

Licenses and Permits:

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 101,000.00
Business Licenses and Permits	4,540.00
Licenses, Permits, Filing Fees	3,240.00

Other Charges:

Income from Departments	\$ 8,320.00
Sale of Municipal Property	6,884.00
Interest on Investments	13,145.00
Other Refunds	18,000.00

Other Financing Sources:

Income from Capital Reserve	\$ 4,200.00
Income from Trust Funds	6,363.00
Proceeds from Long-Term Notes	40,000.00
Fund Balance	<u>109,698.00</u>

TOTAL REVENUE ALL SOURCES TO BALANCE	\$ 2,669,531.00
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SUMMARY OF INVENTORY VALUATION

Value of Land:

Assessed Value, Current Use Land	\$ 1,146,627.00
Assessed Value, Conservation Restriction	17,515.00
Assessed Value, Residential Land	44,986,651.00
Assessed Value, Commercial Land	<u>2,130,200.00</u>

Total Value, All Taxable Land	\$ 48,280,993.00
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Value of Buildings:

Assessed Value, Residential Buildings	\$ 52,039,498.00
Assessed Value, Manufactured Housing	164,800.00
Assessed Value, Commercial Buildings	<u>4,758,400.00</u>

Total Value, All Taxable Buildings	\$ 56,962,698.00
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Total Value, Public Utilities	\$ <u>1,180,004.00</u>
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Total Valuation, Before Exemptions	\$ 106,423,695.00
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Less:

Elderly Exemptions (16)	190,000.00
Blind Exemptions (1)	<u>15,000.00</u>

Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed	\$ 106,218,695.00
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TAX RATE AND COMPARISONS

	1992	Share	1991	Share	Amt. of Chng
Town	\$ 5.17	.251	\$ 9.60	.245	– .024
County	1.86	.090	3.62	.092	+ .022
School	<u>13.61</u>	<u>.659</u>	<u>25.98</u>	<u>.663</u>	+ .020
Total	\$ 20.64	1.000	\$ 39.20	1.000	

REPORT OF CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
FARM LAND	519.89	\$ 213,405.00
FOREST LAND:		
White Pine with RLS*	909.69	79,150.20
White Pine without RLS	2,925.08	353,945.00
Hardwood with RLS	2,046.49	49,255.00
Hardwood without RLS	3,856.68	231,875.00
All Other with RLS	928.97	55,735.00
All Other without RLS	3,016.66	283,590.00
UNPRODUCTIVE	17.30	260.00
UNPRODUCTIVE - WETLAND....	<u>627.84</u>	<u>9,425.20</u>
TOTALS	14,848.60	\$ 1,276,640.40
Less: Recreational Adjustment		<u>112,498.08</u>
NET CURRENT USE VALUE.....		\$ 1,164,142.32

NOTE: All Current Use values are calculated at 100% due to the 1992 revaluation. These figures include 249.03 acres which are under Conservation Restriction Easement and 1.31 acres which were removed from Current Use during the year. The total ad valorem value of land in Current Use is \$22,854,300.

*RLS is evidence of Responsible Land Stewardship, a forest management plan which must be submitted for a lower per acre assessment on forest lands.

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF
APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES
Year Ending December 31, 1992**

	Appropriation	Expenditure	Balance
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
4130 Executive	\$ 70,883.00	\$ 65,173.14	\$ 5,709.86
4140 Election, Registration, Vital Stats	2,430.00	2,757.73	- 327.73
4150 Financial Administration	35,365.00	40,076.20	- 4,711.20
4152 Revaluation of Property	3,875.00	1,912.50	1,962.50
4153 Legal Expenses	6,000.00	5,098.45	901.55
4155 Employee Benefits	25,950.00	22,912.29	3,037.71
4191 Planning Board	3,000.00	2,562.22	437.78
4192 Zoning Board	1,600.00	841.97	758.03
4194 General Government Buildings	6,240.00	6,989.95	- 749.95
4195 Cemeteries	7,500.00	6,640.00	860.00
4196 Insurance	55,580.00	56,322.27	- 742.27
4197 Regional Association	1,168.00	1,168.00	00.00
PUBLIC SAFETY:			
4210 Police Department	54,546.00	55,751.70	- 1,205.70
4215 Ambulance	5,450.00	5,450.00	00.00
4220 Fire Department	14,500.00	13,925.76	574.24
4225 Forest Fire	250.00	296.62	- 46.62
4230 Building Inspection	1,000.00	1,000.00	00.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:			
4312 Highway Department	236,370.00	228,489.32	7,880.68
4316 Street Lighting	6,000.00	5,735.64	264.36
SANITATION:			
4234 Incinerator Facility	51,650.00	56,449.15	- 4,799.15
HEALTH:			
4411 Health Administration	100.00	30.59	69.41
4415 New London Hospital	2,000.00	2,000.00	00.00
Lake Sunapee Reg. Visiting Nurse	4,415.00	4,414.71	.29
WELFARE:			
4442 Direct Assistance	8,000.00	10,983.83	- 2,983.83
4443 Welfare Administration	1,000.00	653.46	346.54
Community Action Program	2,454.00	2,454.00	00.00
CULTURE AND RECREATION:			
4520 Cooperative Kindergarten	2,500.00	2,500.00	00.00
South Sutton Common	300.00	300.00	00.00
Churches	263.00	262.50	.50
Old Store Museum	1,100.00	1,100.00	00.00
4550 Library	6,765.00	6,580.22	184.78
4583 Patriotic Purposes	400.00	400.00	00.00
4611 Conservation Administration	251.00	251.00	00.00
DEBT SERVICE:			
4711 Principal, Long-Term Notes	118,500.00	118,500.00	00.00
4721 Interest, Long-Term Notes	21,466.00	21,456.86	9.14
4723 Interest, Tax Anticipation Notes	56,115.00	51,526.59	4,588.41

CAPITAL RESERVE:

4914 Police Cruiser	3,000.00	3,000.00	00.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00	1,000.00	00.00
Incinerator Replacement	10,000.00	10,000.00	00.00

SPECIAL ARTICLES:

4 Highway Truck	59,350.00	59,350.00	00.00
5 Kearsarge Valley Road	22,680.00	22,680.00	00.00
6 Gravel	21,000.00	21,000.00	00.00
7 Revaluation	16,000.00	00.00	16,000.00
8 Town Hall Roof Repairs	7,500.00	7,460.00	40.00
9 Street Signs	1,800.00	00.00	1,800.00
10 DES Testing	5,000.00	00.00	5,000.00
12 Blaisdell Farm Road	1,000.00	00.00	1,000.00
21 Bradford/Newbury Sports	1,000.00	1,000.00	00.00
1992 Total Town Appropriations	\$ 964,316.00	\$ 928,456.67	\$ 35,859.33
1991 Revaluation Carry Over	70,479.00	65,054.16	21,424.84
1990 Street Signs Carry Over	1,350.00	870.50	479.50
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,036,145.00	\$ 994,381.33	\$ 41,763.67



BETSY FORSHAM, SELECTMEN'S SECRETARY

BALANCE SHEET
Year Ending December 31, 1992

Assets

Cash:

General Fund (Checking Account)	\$ 33,515.35
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Accounts Receivable:

Return of Contribution, Workers' Comp. Fund	23,182.77
Interest on Repurchase #92KC78	232.56
Interest Adjustment Money Market Account (Dec)	244.78
Power Profit	636.72

Unredeemed Taxes:

Prior Years	298,277.74
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Uncollected Taxes:

Levy 1992, Property	564,948.19
Land Use Change Tax 1992	69.00
Yield Tax	<u>6,040.82</u>

Total Assets	\$ 927,147.93
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Liabilities

Warrant Articles Held Over:

1990 Street Signs	\$ 479.50
1992 Street Signs	1,800.00
1992 Blaisdell Farm Road	1,000.00
1992 DES Tests & Permitting	5,000.00
1992 Revaluation	10,000.00

Due to State of New Hampshire:

Vital Record Fees Collected, Not Remitted	33.00
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Balance Due School District:

1992-1993 Appropriation	730,206.00
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Balance of Unexpended Appropriations

23,484.17

Total Liabilities	\$ 772,002.67
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Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>155,145.26</u>
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Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 927,147.93
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Change in Financial Condition:

Balance, 12/31/91	\$ 139,698.03
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Balance, 12/31/92	<u>155,145.26</u>
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Increase	\$ 15,447.23
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STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT, TOWN OF SUTTON

December 31, 1992

Annual Maturities and Amortization of Debt General Obligation Debt

Maturities Fiscal Year Ending 12/31	1989 Series A Bond 6.75% Capital Improvement Program Original Amount \$500,000		Truck Note 5.25% Due 7/1	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
1993	\$100,000	\$13,500	\$20,000	\$2,100
1994	\$100,000	\$ 6,750	\$20,000	\$1,050
	Total	Total	Grand	Total
	Maturities	Interest		
1993	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 135,600.00	
1994	120,000.00	7,800.00	127,800.00	

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK For Year Ending December 31, 1992

Received for Filing Fees	\$ 8.00
Remitted to Treasurer	8.00
Received for Marriage Licenses	\$ 360.00
Remitted to Treasurer	360.00
Received for UCC's	\$ 401.37
Remitted to Treasurer	401.37
Received for Vital Statistics	\$ 156.00
Remitted to Treasurer	156.00
Received for Title Fees	\$ 472.00
Remitted to Treasurer	472.00
Received for Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 100,245.00
Remitted to Treasurer	100,245.00
Received for Service Charges	\$ 10.00
Remitted to Treasurer	10.00
Received for Dog Licenses	\$ 1,123.50
Remitted to Treasurer	1,123.50
Received for Dog License Penalties	\$ 47.00
Remitted to Treasurer	47.00

Respectfully submitted,
Carol P. Curless
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Tax Accounts Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1992

—Dr.—

	Levies Of:	
	1992	Prior
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Year:		
Property Taxes	\$	\$ 556,093.48
Yield Taxes		5,534.83
Power Profit		636.21
Revenues Committed - This Year:		
Property Taxes	2,177,373.31	
Land Use Change	398.50	
Yield Taxes	15,628.65	
Power Profit	633.72	
Overpayments:		
Property Taxes	345.90	2,600.21
Land Use Change	8.38	
Interest Collected On:		
Delinquent Taxes	757.13	40,997.82
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$ 2,195,145.59</u>	<u>\$ 605,862.55</u>

—Cr.—

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 1,611,809.76	\$ 557,315.02
Land Use Change	329.50	
Yield Taxes	9,596.21	4,798.98
Interest	757.13	40,997.82
Power Profit		636.21
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	960.79	1,378.67
Yield Taxes		735.85
Uncollected Revenues - End of Year:		
Property Taxes	564,948.19	
Land Use Change	69.00	
Yield Taxes	6,040.82	
Power Profit	633.72	
Shortage	.47	
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$ 2,195,145.59</u>	<u>\$ 605,862.55</u>

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1992

—Dr.—

	Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies Of:		
	1993	1992	Prior
Unredeemed Taxes Balance at			
Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$	\$	\$ 187,615.23
Liens Sold or Executed During			
Fiscal Year			277,210.29
Overpayment			.03
Interest Collected After			
Sale/Lien Execution			32,372.78
Collected Redemption Costs			1,313.36
TOTAL DEBITS	\$	\$	\$ 498,511.69

—Cr.—

Remittance to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	\$	\$	\$ 165,440.15
Interest/Costs (After Sale or			
Lien Execution)			33,686.14
Abatements of Unredeemed			
Taxes			500.00
Unredeemed Taxes, Interest &			
Costs Deeded to Town			607.66
Unredeemed Taxes on Initial			
Sale/Lien			298,277.74
TOTAL CREDITS	\$	\$	\$ 498,511.69

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

Town of Sutton, New Hampshire
For the Year Ending December 31, 1992

Cash Balance, December 31, 1991 \$ 110,759.66

TAXES

Taxes:

Property Tax - 1992	\$ 1,611,794.76	
Property Tax - 1991	557,775.15	
Interest on Taxes	75,310.95	
Tax Sales Redeemed	165,439.86	
Yield Tax - 1992	14,006.22	
Yield Tax - 1991	388.97	
Power Profit Assessment	<u>636.21</u>	
		\$ 2,425,352.12

Licenses and Permits:

Motor Vehicle Permits	100,235.00	
Dog Licenses	1,170.50	
Town Clerk Fees	1,407.37	
Licenses, Permits, Fees	3,560.61	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	732.26	
Planning Board	<u>1,577.79</u>	
		\$ 108,683.53

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE

From State of New Hampshire:

Shared Revenue Block Grant	37,163.14	
Highway Block Grant	65,125.98	
Forest Land Reimbursement	39.59	
Welfare Reimbursement	1,036.90	
FEMA	<u>2,761.00</u>	
		\$ 106,126.61

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

Police Department	862.92	
Solid Waste	<u>3,161.52</u>	
		\$ 4,024.44

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE

Interest on Investments:

Invested Funds, Interest	8,953.37	
Money Market Account	4,388.16	
NOW Account	<u>1,282.43</u>	
		\$ 14,623.96

Other Miscellaneous Revenue:

Insurance Adjustment	29.38
Town Officers' Expenses	325.78
Town Property Sold	700.00
Town Histories Sold	350.00
Refunds	23,438.17
Current Use Applications	120.16
Highway Department	11,258.35
Fire	195.31
Conservation Fund	<u>189.00</u>

\$ 36,606.15

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Tax Anticipation Notes	1,680,000.00
Income from Trust Funds	6,363.00
Capital Reserve Funds	42,663.20
Long-Term Note, Truck	40,000.00
Loan, Trustees of Trust Funds	<u>41,500.00</u>

\$ 1,810,526.20

Transfers 1,024,956.57

Receipts, 1992 5,530,899.58

TOTAL RECEIPTS, INCLUDING CASH BALANCE \$ 5,641.659.24

Less Disbursements 5,608,143.89

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE,

DECEMBER 31, 1992 \$ 33,515.35

Conservation Commission Fund \$ 1,162.32

Respectfully submitted,
Robert S. Bristol
Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

4130 Executive \$ 65,173.14

PAYROLL:

Robert S. Bristol	12,759.40
Heidi Carlson	12,698.22
Elizabeth Forsham	11,329.50
Marjorie R. Knight	252.00

TOWN OFFICERS:

John F. Biewener, Selectman	425.00
Thaddeus C. Johnson, Selectman	1,779.75
Richard L. King, Selectman	1,680.00
Stanley L. LeBrun, Selectman	1,680.00
Roy W. Prince, Selectman	425.00

PAYMENTS:

Argus Champion	124.00
Back Room Art Supply	56.52
Banker's Leasing	1,862.76
Beehive Computer	310.00
Peter Blakeman	4.93
Robert S. Bristol	140.11
Bristol/Sweet Associates	31.50
Business Management Systems	1,099.65
Heidi Carlson	137.82
Central NH Regional Planning	15.38
Concord Monitor	184.00
Dataeast	1,007.72
Equity Publishing	272.20
Elizabeth Forsham	38.44
Kearsarge Shopper	140.30
Kim/Pat Office Supplies	29.00
Loring, Short & Harmon	129.76
J.J. Marotti	4,600.00
Merrimack County Probate Court	3.00
Merrimack County Registry of Deeds	110.29
New England Forestry Foundation	158.10
Newport Litho	4,000.00
NHMA Health Insurance	885.29
NH Government Finance Officers	30.00
NH Municipal Association	712.71
NH Resource Recovery	304.50
NH Timber Owners Association	60.00
North Sutton Post Office	347.75
Photobug Camera	113.80
Roy W. Prince	25.62
Provan & Lorber	3,485.00
Sir Speedy Printing	215.11
Stamped Envelope Agency	322.00
Treasurer, State of NH	50.00
Union Leader	72.40
Valley Typewriter Service	165.00
Vetronics	18.58
Viking Office Products	497.06

Wells Copy Machine Service	215.96	
Yankee Microfilm	198.01	
4140 Election, Registration, Vital Statistics		\$ 2,757.73
PAYROLL:		
Melina Ahrens	23.38	
Irene C. Davis	165.76	
Margaret Ford	46.75	
Jo Ann Meaney	361.25	
Frederick J. Rathbun	199.75	
Marilyn Thompson	286.88	
Dorothy Wright	497.25	
PAYMENTS:		
Dataeast	457.51	
Kearsarge Shopper	299.20	
Newport Litho	331.15	
Powers Point	55.87	
Dorothy Wright	32.98	
4150 Financial Administration		\$ 40,076.20
PAYROLL:		
Robert S. Bristol, Treasurer	4,000.00	
Carol P. Curless, Town Clerk/Tax Collector	17,026.57	
Courtney E. Haase, Deputy Clerk/Collector	2,116.41	
William F. Kinnally, Deputy Treasurer	1,111.25	
PAYMENTS:		
The Balsam's	340.00	
Robert S. Bristol	804.36	
Carol P. Curless	282.24	
Dataeast	788.04	
First NH Bank	18.14	
Homestead Press	20.48	
Kearsarge Shopper	132.00	
William F. Kinnally	235.28	
Landata	1,760.00	
Loring, Short & Harmon	56.18	
Merrimack County Registry of Deeds	468.81	
NH City & Town Clerks Association	34.00	
NHMA Health Insurance	4,470.97	
NH Tax Collectors Association	35.00	
Nunsuch	4.50	
Plodzick & Sanderson, PA	4,000.00	
South Sutton Post Office	493.89	
Stamped Envelope Agency	1,273.00	
Viking Office Products	100.00	
Wheeler & Clark	122.88	
BUDGET COMMITTEE:		
Argus Champion	31.00	
Kearsarge Shopper	33.00	
Marjorie Knight	37.50	
Maryellen Ripley	280.70	
4152 Revaluation of Property		\$ 1,912.50
PAYMENTS:		
George W. Bean	1,912.50	

4153 Legal Expense	\$	5,098.45
PAYMENTS:		
Upton, Sanders & Smith		5,098.45
4155 Employee Benefits	\$	22,912.29
PAYMENTS:		
Davis & Towle		1,771.84
FICA & Medicare		16,453.40
ICMA Highway Retirement		3,462.22
NH Police Retirement		1,224.83
4191 Planning Board	\$	2,562.22
PAYMENTS:		
Central NH Regional Planning		126.00
Country Press		435.00
Sarah Denz		1,161.53
Naia C. Florence		103.10
Courtney Haase		71.50
Kearsarge Shopper		33.00
Merrimack County Registry of Deeds		194.32
NH Municipal Association		30.00
Nunsuch		118.00
A. Ritscher		130.90
Dan Sundquist		158.87
4192 Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$	841.97
PAYMENTS:		
Argus Champion		209.25
Central NH Regional Planning		54.00
Sarah Denz		224.91
Jane King		312.65
Merrimack County Registry of Deeds		41.16
4194 General Government Buildings	\$	6,989.95
PAYMENTS:		
Brown Heating		62.50
Clarke's Servistar		23.85
Cricenti's Market		16.74
W.I. Curless Custom Construction		10.00
Dead River - NL Fuel		1,845.03
Chet Ellison Plumbing & Heating		874.94
Kearsarge Heating Fuels		79.96
Michael Maddox, Custodian		817.50
Merrimack County Telephone		1,304.58
NH DES, Water Test		18.00
Public Service of NH		906.59
David Ruell, Hist. Nomination		892.66
Vernondale Store		2.60
Wayne Wheeler Construction		135.00
4195 Cemeteries	\$	6,640.00
PAYMENTS:		
R.S. Palmer & Sons		6,640.00

4196 Insurance \$ 56,322.27

PAYMENTS:

Colby Insurance - Office Liability	3,000.00
Comp Funds NH - Workers' Compensation	29,988.00
Comp Funds NH - Unemployment Comp.	1,359.27
Kearsarge Agency - Office Bonds	1,510.00
NHMA Property Liability Insurance	20,465.00

4197 Regional Association \$ 1,168.00

PAYMENTS:

Central NH Regional Planning	1,168.00
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PUBLIC SAFETY:

4210 Police Department \$ 55,750.70

PAYROLL:

Russell Bailey	102.50
Thomas W. Bates	3,260.63
Ginger M. Cloutier	2,003.75
Scott Flood	495.00
John R. Lambert	27,621.12
Robert D. Nelson	1,634.38
John P. Simonds	479.25

PAYMENTS:

Thomas W. Bates	60.70
Biron Medical Lab	15.00
Butterworth Equity Publishing	138.64
Carriage Trade Services	17.04
Ginger M. Cloutier	30.00
Electronic Security Protection	1,000.00
Erik's Gun Shop	690.50
Randall Erk	50.00
Hitchcock Clinic	88.00
Irwin Motors	1,057.94
Donald Kimtis	25.00
John R. Lambert	444.34
Merrimack County Telephone	1,581.65
Metromedia Paging Service	267.80
National Bulletin Police Miscon.	59.51
Town of New London	6,311.75
New London Auto Parts	235.93
New London Cleaners	27.20
New London Hospital	125.00
New London Texaco	696.15
NH Department of Transportation	942.41
NH Treasurer	40.00
NHMA Health Insurance	2,453.84
Neptune Inc.	2,369.16
North Sutton Post Office	7.25
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	357.85
Paul & Son Ford Mercury	36.45
Shooting Sport Supply	450.45
Sullivan Tire	192.36

Sutton Automotive	15.00	
Valley Radiologists	29.00	
Vernondale Store	338.15	
4215 Ambulance		\$ 5,450.00
PAYMENTS:		
Bradford Rescue Squad	800.00	
New London Ambulance	4,000.00	
Sutton Rescue Squad	650.00	
4220 Fire Department		\$ 13,925.76
PAYMENTS:		
Brown Heating	2,664.00	
Clarke's Servistar	12.99	
Dead River - NL Fuel	1,089.12	
Steve Fellows	157.00	
The Fire Barn	198.85	
Fire Control Services	80.00	
Fire Tech & Safety	359.00	
Goldstar Chemical Corp.	224.75	
Grappone Ford	105.26	
Matthew Grimes	656.68	
Kearsarge Heating Fuels	56.85	
Inter Continental Lab	238.82	
Merrimack County Telephone	2,187.36	
National Fire Protection	23.15	
New London Texaco	618.65	
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	521.48	
Public Service of NH	1,109.06	
PUFCO Inc.	2,505.04	
R & R Communications	55.00	
Southworth-Milton Machinery	278.93	
Vernondale Store	360.77	
Warner Fire Department	423.00	
4225 Forest Fires		\$ 296.62
PAYMENTS:		
Peter Blakeman	13.90	
Robert S. Bristol	18.70	
Richard Call	13.90	
Arthur Chadwick	13.90	
Kirk Chadwick	13.90	
Cory Cochran	13.90	
Martin Frizzell	13.90	
G. Robert Gagnon	16.10	
Matt Grimes	13.90	
David LeBrun	13.90	
Darrel Palmer	34.02	
D. Scott Palmer	13.90	
Chris Rowe	13.90	
Harold Rowe, Jr.	13.90	
Kevin Rowe	13.90	
Carroll Thompson	47.10	
Gary Wilcox	13.90	

4230 Building Inspection

\$ 1,000.00

PAYMENTS:

Wayne Grover 1,000.00

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:**4312 Highway Department**

\$ 228,489.32

PAYROLL:

David R. Benedict	26,336.22
Robert W. Bennett	15,186.50
George H. Hosmer, Jr.	8,695.28
Paul B. Parker	23,265.03
Dennis C. Stevens	23,643.69

PAYMENTS:

Akzo Salt	9,940.33
Atlantic Broom/Plow Blade	2,768.08
B-B Chain	1,731.50
David R. Benedict	354.06
Robert W. Bennett	3,542.83
Blaktop	1,270.50
Blue Seal Feeds & Needs	273.00
Brown Heating	335.20
Burtco Culvert	3,379.55
Concord Fire Extinguisher	37.50
Continental Machine	400.00
W.I. Curless Custom Construction	198.00
Davey Tree	425.00
Davis & Swanson	187.87
Dead River - NL Fuel	8,900.45
Dickie's Bait & Tackle	69.95
Donbeck Sales	575.10
Donovan Spring	691.24
Eagle Petroleum	2,820.00
Eagle Publications	37.23
Eastern NE Hydraulics	405.00
Electronic Security Protection	1,095.00
Chet Ellison Plumbing & Heating	165.25
Steve Fellows	27.50
Future Supply Corporation	133.75
Gateway Motors	106.18
Gilbert Inc.	374.67
Grappone Auto Junction	169.49
Grappone Industrial	937.41
Grappone Truck	4,168.90
Griffin Greenhouse	285.55
H & D Truck Service	145.36
R.C. Hazelton	303.54
Henniker Crushed Stone	893.88
George H. Hosmer, Jr.	384.23
KAR Products	190.57
Kearsarge Heating Fuels	72.94
Kibby Equipment	369.33
Log-Con Supply	112.30
The Lumber Barn	1,080.06

M & M Equipment	1,751.28	
Carl Matthews Equipment	2,010.00	
Max. Cohen & Sons	633.10	
J.D. McLeod	3,267.50	
Merrimack County Telephone	712.64	
Merriam-Graves of VT	500.10	
Merrimack County Registry of Deeds	10.29	
Michie Corporation	19,684.44	
Monadnock Mountain Spring Water	86.00	
Mr. Gee's Tire	2,614.74	
Newport Sand & Gravel	55.50	
NHMA Health Insurance	14,992.85	
NH Municipal Association	10.00	
NH Wetlands Board	100.00	
Nova Electronics	19.08	
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	1,578.05	
Paul B. Parker	27.00	
Pike Industries	8,399.59	
Public Service of NH	797.33	
Mike Rabbitt Enterprises	945.00	
RAK Industries	659.86	
Reed Minerals	85.50	
Respond First Aid	165.00	
Reynold's & Son	299.75	
George Roberts	36.52	
Rowe Bros. Construction	6,225.00	
C.S. Rowe Trucking	1,110.00	
Sanel Auto Parts	635.20	
SAS Auto Parts	5,159.61	
Share Corporation	550.50	
Southworth-Milton Machinery	299.52	
Stevens Engineering	495.65	
Sullivan Tire	924.56	
Sutton Automotive	120.00	
Town of Sutton	100.60	
C.C. Thomas & Sons	948.00	
Treasurer, NH Correctional Ind.	759.81	
Tri Lease Transportation	1,700.00	
Unifirst	2,282.65	
Viking Office Products	54.19	
Valley Transportation	389.19	
Vernondale Store	55.16	
Volkman Electric	44.00	
Waste Inc.	37.50	
Arthur Whitcomb	78.18	
4316 Street Lighting		\$ 5,735.64
PAYMENTS:		
Public Service of NH	5,735.64	
SANITATION:		
4234 Incinerator Facility		\$ 56,449.15
PAYROLL:		
Clifford L. Allen	7,271.23	

Edward J. Butler	10,568.75
Herman L. Foster	9,745.75
Raymond D. Hunter, Jr.	2,051.71
David Smith	68.75
PAYMENTS:	
Edward J. Butler	30.00
Central NH Regional Planning	774.82
Central NH Solid Waste District	5.00
Clarke's Servistar	103.10
Dead River - NL Fuel	3,143.55
Herman L. Foster	7.91
Granite Printing	350.00
H.C. Gobin Disposal Systems	1,945.00
Raymond D. Hunter, Jr.	75.00
J.D. Hanna Excavating	945.00
J.D. McLeod	126.00
Max Cohen & Sons	124.00
Merrimack County Telephone	296.71
Naughton & Son Recycling	9,555.00
New London Texaco	98.58
NH Treasurer, DES	100.00
Newport Litho	65.37
Northeast Mech.	7,105.59
Public Service of NH	1,892.33

HEALTH:

4411 Health Administration \$ 30.59

PAYMENTS:

Barbara J. MacDonald 30.59

4415 Health Agencies & Hospitals \$ 6,414.71

PAYMENTS:

Kearsarge Sunapee Region VNA 4,414.71
New London Hospital 2,000.00

WELFARE:

4442 Direct Assistance \$ 10,983.83

PAYMENTS:

Direct Assistance 10,983.83

4443 Welfare Administration \$ 3,107.46

PAYMENTS:

Community Action Program 2,454.00
Courtney E. Haase 570.91
NH Municipal Association 25.00
NH Welfare Administrators 25.00
Robert D. Nelson 32.55

CULTURE AND RECREATION:

4520 Culture and Recreation \$ 4,162.50

PAYMENTS:

First Freewill Baptist Church 200.00

Old Store Museum	1,100.00	
South Sutton Comm. Church	62.50	
South Sutton Common	300.00	
Sutton Cooperative Kindergarten	2,500.00	
4550 Library		\$ 6,580.22
PAYMENTS:		
Jeanette R. Couch, Librarian	4,499.56	
Sutton Free Library	2,080.66	
4583 Patriotic Purposes		\$ 400.00
PAYMENTS:		
American Legion Post 40	228.18	
H.A. Holt & Sons Flags	171.82	
CONSERVATION:		
4611 Conservation Administration		\$ 251.00
PAYMENTS:		
Sutton Conservation Commission	86.00	
NH Association of Conservation Comm.	139.00	
Society for Protection of NH Forests	26.00	
DEBT SERVICE:		
4711 Principal, Long-Term Notes		\$ 118,500.00
PAYMENTS:		
Connecticut Bank	100,000.00	
First NH Bank	18,500.00	
4721 Interest, Long-Term Notes		\$ 21,465.86
PAYMENTS:		
Connecticut Bank	20,250.00	
First NH Bank	1,215.86	
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes		\$ 51,526.59
PAYMENTS:		
New Dartmouth Bank	5,839.17	
Lake Sunapee Savings Bank	10,213.11	
First NH Bank	35,474.31	
CAPITAL OUTLAY:		
4914 Capital Reserve		\$ 14,000.00
PAYMENTS:		
Cemeteries Capital Reserve	1,000.00	
Incinerator Replacement Capital Reserve	10,000.00	
Police Cruiser Capital Reserve	3,000.00	
SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES:		
1990 Warrant Article #10 Street Signs		\$ 870.50
PAYMENTS:		
Kevin Walker	765.00	
The Lumber Barn	105.50	

Warrant Article #4 Highway Truck \$ 59,350.00

PAYMENTS:

Atlantic Broom	471.46
Grappone Truck	30,895.62
The Lumber Barn	47.95
M & M Equipment	19,916.00
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	6.00
SAS Auto Parts	12.97
E.W. Sleeper	8,000.00

Warrant Article #5 Kearsarge Valley Road \$ 22,680.00

PAYMENTS:

Pike Industries	22,680.00
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Warrant Article #6 Gravel \$ 21,000.00

PAYMENTS:

Henniker Crushed Stone	6,241.61
J.D. McLeod	3,758.30
Michie Corporation	8,083.82
Rowe Bros.	783.00
Arthur Whitcomb	2,133.27

Warrant Article #7 Revaluation \$ 65,054.16

PAYMENTS:

Accumail	25.00
Bristol/Sweet Associates	484.50
Carriage Trade Services	50.00
Dataeast	1,262.19
Elizabeth Forsham	351.00
Kearsarge Shopper	33.00
Kim/Pat Office Supplies	2.50
Locksmith Shop	22.50
Merrimack County Registry of Deeds	10.00
Merrimack County Telephone	400.15
Newport Litho	1,141.50
NH Correctional Industries	2.58
PC Connection	504.00
Photobug Camera	50.86
Gary Theis	71.02
Treasurer, NH (DRA Services)	60,323.30
US Postal Service	320.06

Warrant Article #8 Town Hall Roof Repairs \$ 7,465.00

PAYMENTS:

Gerard Leone Slate Roofing	7,465.00
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Warrant Article #21 Bradford/Newbury Sports \$ 1,000.00

PAYMENTS:

Bradford/Newbury Sports	1,000.00
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TOTAL 1992 BUDGETED EXPENDITURES \$ 994,394.33

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:

Interfund Operating Transfers Out \$2,987,081.54

PAYMENTS:

Transfers to Trustees of Trust Funds	700.00
Tax Anticipation Notes	2,105,000.00
Taxes Bought By Town	277,210.29
Transfer of TAN	600,000.00
Marshall Waterman Road Bond	4,171.25

Refunds and Abatements

\$ 6,097.52

PAYMENTS:

Charles G. Ash, III	30.00
Robert Bradley	423.34
Chase Home Mortgage	184.35
Daniel Devir	15.00
Phyllis DiMaggio	3.67
Farmers Home Administration	1,571.18
David Graham	71.00
J & L Harwood	147.08
M. Hunter	104.60
Gloria Jameson	5.00
John MacLeod	36.00
Philip Major	8.38
Edward McFarlin	100.00
Peter & Denise Mitchell	3.05
M. Moore	523.51
Robert Oxford	132.43
Theodore W. Noon	660.13
Roy Raven	333.05
Sugar River Savings Bank	835.39
Sutton Conservation Commission	189.00
Harold Wignes	647.36
Patricia Wignes	74.00

OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PAYMENTS:

Kearsarge Regional School District	\$1,421,589.00
Merrimack County Tax	198,497.00
State of New Hampshire	484.50

TOTAL PAYMENTS, All Purposes \$5,608,143.89

REPORT OF TOWN TRUST FUNDS

Report The Trust Funds of Town of Sutton For Year Ending 12/31/92												SUMMARY PAGE 1 of 2		ALL trusts					
												PRINCIPAL				INTEREST			
Name: Trust Fund		HOW INVESTED		Balance		New		Cash Gains		Balance		INCOME DURING YEAR		Expended		Grand Total			
Date	List 1st those	Purpose of	Whether bank dep.	%	Beginning	Year	Funds	or (Losses)	Securities	End	Beginning		During	Year	End	Principal &			
Created	in a common trust fund	Trust Fund	or common trust				Created			Year	Year	Percent	Amount		Year	Interest			
Totals		236		Perpetual Care		Common Trust			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,460.81	\$1,722.50	\$2,674.13	\$3,900.00	\$1,356.63	\$41,857.44			
Library Trusts																			
1971	Grace P. Nelson	Library	bank deposits		\$48,560.10					\$48,560.10	\$329.79		\$3,538.89	\$3,868.68	\$0.00	\$48,560.10			
1974	John Pressey	"	"		\$1,000.00					\$1,000.00	\$6.58		\$73.27	\$79.85	\$0.00	\$1,000.00			
1974	Orin Nelson	"	"		\$1,000.00					\$1,000.00	\$8.58		\$73.27	\$79.85	\$0.00	\$1,000.00			
1974	Lewis Richards	"	"		\$300.00					\$300.00	\$1.98		\$21.98	\$23.96	\$0.00	\$300.00			
1974	Douglas Anderson	"	"		\$1,000.00					\$1,000.00	\$39.89		\$60.07	\$99.96	\$0.00	\$1,000.00			
1988	Faasia B Wadleigh	Library books	(bank deposits-Lane		\$4,168.21					\$4,168.21	\$0.00		\$179.76	\$168.10	\$11.66	\$4,179.87			
1988	Ade P. Anderson	Library	receivable/(Town Setba)		\$3,000.00					\$3,000.00	\$140.74		\$166.79	\$307.53	\$0.00	\$3,000.00			
Total Library Trusts					\$59,028.31					\$59,028.31	\$526.56		\$4,114.03	\$4,627.93	\$11.66	\$69,039.97			
Other Trusts																			
1916	Orin Nelson	Worthy Poor	(bank deposits-Lane		\$1,085.00					\$1,085.00	\$1,412.67		\$116.20	\$1,000.00	\$528.87	\$1,613.87			
1930	John Eaton	Schools	receivable/(Town Setba)		\$500.00					\$500.00	\$52.87		\$52.87	\$0.00	\$585.51	\$1,085.51			
1909	Mary Eaton	Schools	"		\$150.00					\$150.00	\$130.69		\$14.64	\$0.00	\$145.33	\$295.33			
1944	Fred E. Nelson	Town Fund	"		\$2,500.00					\$2,500.00	\$1,723.67		\$213.24	\$1,000.00	\$936.91	\$3,436.91			
1966	Helen M. Wells	Old Stone Museum	"		\$10,118.26					\$10,118.26	\$2,911.21		\$727.83	\$1,100.00	\$2,639.14	\$12,657.39			
1961	Fred E. Nelson	Town Purposes	(church, lib., school, etc)		\$5,000.00					\$5,000.00	\$2,515.94		\$408.07	\$263.00	\$2,661.01	\$7,661.01			
1989	F.A.S.T. Squad	Rescue Squad	support		\$9,724.12					\$9,724.12	\$299.54		\$419.11	\$0.00	\$718.65	\$10,442.77			
1990	Sutton Fire Dept	Fire Dept	support		\$20,540.73					\$20,540.73	\$3,401.43		\$1,646.19	\$0.00	\$5,046.62	\$25,587.35			
Total Other Trusts					\$49,618.10					\$49,618.10	\$12,927.79		\$3,597.25	\$3,363.00	\$13,162.04	\$62,780.14			

Report		The Trust Funds		of	Town of Sutor		For Year	Ending	12/31/92	SUMMARY		page 2 of 2	ALL TRUSTS
NAME OF TRUST FUND		HOW INVESTED		PRINCIPAL				INTEREST				Grand Total	
Date	first those trusts invested	Purpose of	Whether bank deposits or	Balance	New	Cash Gains or (Losses) on	Withdrawals	Balance	Income During Year	Expended	Balance	Principal &	Interest
Created	in a common trust fund	Trust Fund	common trust or state	Beginning	Funds	Securities	Year	End	Beginning	Year	Year	End	Year
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													
1969	Capital Reserve	town bridges	bank deposits	\$7,252.93				\$7,252.93	\$89.84	\$0.00	\$378.03	\$7,630.96	
1980	"	forest fire equip	"	\$2,750.00				\$2,750.00	\$1,441.02	\$0.00	\$1,605.51	\$4,355.51	
1982	"	incinerator/replica	"	\$5,822.30	\$10,000.00		\$1,347.16	\$14,475.14	\$2,623.45	\$2,852.84	\$52.67	\$14,527.81	
1985	"	revitalization	"	\$37,000.00			\$37,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.88	\$1,463.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1985	"	fire equipment	"	\$6,000.00				\$6,000.00	\$1,411.59	\$0.00	\$1,702.49	\$7,702.49	
1988	"	cemeteries	"	\$3,759.67	\$1,000.00			\$4,759.67	\$45.67	\$0.00	\$195.97	\$4,955.64	
1988	"	legal fees	"	\$6,722.17				\$6,722.17	\$83.26	\$0.00	\$350.36	\$7,072.53	
1989	"	land purchase	"	\$15,000.00				\$15,000.00	\$2,734.01	\$0.00	\$3,430.05	\$18,430.05	
1989	"	Grist Mill Bridge	"	\$5,137.79				\$5,137.79	\$314.83	\$0.00	\$528.83	\$5,666.62	
1992	"	Police cruiser	"	\$0.00	\$3,000.00			\$3,000.00				\$3,000.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:				\$89,444.86	\$14,000.00		\$38,347.16	\$65,097.70	\$9,945.46	\$4,316.04	\$8,243.91	\$73,341.61	
TOTAL ALL TRUSTS:				\$237,852.08	\$14,700.00	\$0.00	\$38,347.16	\$214,204.92	\$25,121.30	\$15,306.97	\$22,814.24	\$237,019.16	

COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS, COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

February 19, 1992

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Sutton
Sutton, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Sutton for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1991, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance of the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

The following condition was noted that we do not consider to be a material weakness:

TAX LIEN COMPLIANCE

Notice of Redemption

We noted numerous instances where the Tax Collector did not notify the register of deeds within 30 days from the date the redemption was made.

RSA 80:70 states that "When full redemption is made, the Tax Collector shall, within 30 days after redemption notify the register of deeds of the act. . ."

We have recommended to the Tax Collector that she put aside one day a month in which to send out redemption notices in order to remain in compliance with this statute.

In addition to the foregoing, the following other matter came to our attention that we have discussed with management as an opportunity for efficiency and/or cost savings related to the administration of the Town:

Consideration should be given in instituting a more formal purchase order policy.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit

distribution of this report, which upon acceptance by the Board of Selectmen is a matter of public record.

In closing, we would like to express our appreciation to those persons whose cooperation and assistance have helped us to achieve efficiencies in completing our audit.

After you have had an opportunity to review our audit report and comments above, we would be pleased to meet with you to discuss any questions that you might have.

PLODZIK & SANDERSON
Professional Association

BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF SUTTON, N.H.
For the Year Ending December 31, 1992

Date of Birth Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father Maiden Name of Mother
May 1, 1992 New London, N.H.	Hannah Rose Blakeman	Peter J. Blakeman Anita L. Nikles
May 16, 1992 Concord, N.H.	Oliver Benedict Thomas	Carroll C. Thomas Bridget A. Benedict
July 31, 1992 Concord, N.H.	Brittany Haruko Lemelin	James F. Lemelin Reiko Komesu
August 10, 1992 Concord, N.H.	Julia Waldron Jones	John W. Jones Alison Doherty
August 27, 1992 Concord, N.H.	Sonja Kask Anderson	David Anderson Karla E. Salathe
October 1, 1992 Hanover, N.H.	Kelsey Bekr McGlashan	Roland Scot McGlashan Amy Gibans
October 2, 1992 New London, N.H.	Eleanor Robin Bronder-Major	Philip S. Major Nancy A. Bronder
October 8, 1992 Concord, N.H.	Joel Michael Berger	Scott David Berger Lynn Holly
November 11, 1992 New London, N.H.	Andrew Vincent Howe	John T. Howe Ann E. Lawlers
November 12, 1992 New London, N.H.	Elizabeth Gilman Lamson	Roger W. Lamson Kathleen M. Arizzonto
December 14, 1992 Concord, N.H.	Tyler Beardsley Himes	Paul Edward Himes, Jr. Lorri Jane Beardsley

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according
to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Carol P. Curless
Town Clerk, Sutton, N.H.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF SUTTON, N.H.
For the Year Ending December 31, 1992

Date of Marriage Place of Marriage	Name of Groom Name of Bride	Town of Residence of Each
January 3, 1992 Hopkinton, N.H.	Mark Dawson Rebecca K. Dube	Concord, N.H. Sutton, N.H.
January 11, 1992 South Newbury, N.H.	John Dixon Jennifer H. Glazer	New London, N.H. North Sutton, N.H.
February 14, 1992 Bradford, N.H.	Walter D. Simonds Vicki A. Flagg	Sutton, N.H. Warner, N.H.
March 28, 1992 Sutton, N.H.	Neil A. Chadwick Lisa E. Florence	Sutton, N.H. Sutton, N.H.
June 20, 1992 New London, N.H.	Peter Graf Janet E. Shaw	North Sutton, N.H. North Sutton, N.H.
June 27, 1992 Sutton, N.H.	Stephen H. Barss Katherine Van Weelden	North Sutton, N.H. North Sutton, N.H.
July 11, 1992 North Sutton, N.H.	Leighton G. Cullens Karen L. Cullens	South Sutton, N.H. South Sutton, N.H.
July 24, 1992 Sargent Purchase, N.H.	Charles V. Sebring Gail G. Somma	Sutton, N.H. Sutton, N.H.
September 2, 1992 Sutton, N.H.	Benjamin Gong Susan L. Hanamoto	Brookline, MA North Sutton, N.H.

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Carol P. Curless
Town Clerk, Sutton, N.H.

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF SUTTON, N.H. For the Year Ending December 31, 1992

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Residence of Deceased
January 7, 1992	New London, N.H.	Elizabeth M. Chadwick	New Hampshire
January 12, 1992	New London, N.H.	Barbara Elizabeth Allen	New Hampshire
February 17, 1992	New London, N.H.	Howard F. McCartin	New Hampshire
May 6, 1992	New London, N.H.	Gustaf A. Almstrom, Jr.	New Hampshire
May 21, 1992	New London, N.H.	Elizabeth A. Cummings	New Hampshire
June 7, 1992	South Sutton, N.H.	Marc W. Geoffrion	New Hampshire
September 21, 1992	Manchester, N.H.	Elizabeth H. Thompson	New Hampshire
November 7, 1992	New London, N.H.	Phyllis A. Smith	New Hampshire
November 16, 1992	Sutton, N.H.	Paul A. Clark, Sr.	New Hampshire
November 21, 1992	North Sutton, N.H.	George Emery	New Hampshire

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Carol P. Curlless
Town Clerk, Sutton, N.H.

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